

# **SURVEY REPORT**

## **Town of Mount Airy 2020 Community Survey**

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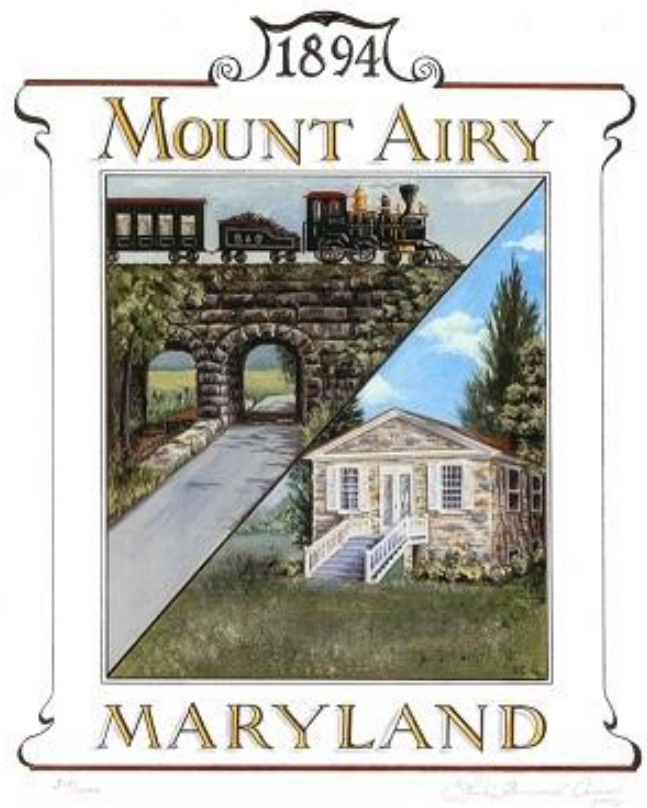
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The Town of Mount Airy Growth and Development Task Force sincerely thanks the citizens of Mount Airy and your completion of the Town of Mount Airy 2020 Community Survey. The Survey was comprehensive and required a dedicated amount of time and thought to complete. In addition, about half of all surveys completed contained numerous written comments that were thoughtful and offered suggestions for how to improve the town we all call home. We thank you again for your interest and support of the Survey effort.

We thank 270Net Technologies for their support in populating an electronic database of all hard copy Survey responses, and in assisting with some of the initial information summarization and analysis.

We thank Mayor Patrick Rockinberg for his historical perspective on the previous Town Survey conducted in 2007, and for his guidance and support to the Task Force in our development and implementation of the 2020 Survey.

We thank the Mount Airy Town Council for their support to the Task Force and endorsement of the 2020 Community Survey effort.

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Town of Mount Airy Growth and Development Task Force conducted the 2020 Community Survey to understand citizen views on issues and concerns that impact daily life as a Town resident. The Survey and Task Force were commissioned by Mayor Patrick Rockinberg. The Task Force was guided by the following principles: (1) Town of Mount Airy citizens are the most important stakeholders in shaping the future direction of our community; and (2) transparency of process and results. Survey implementation yielded a response rate of 26%; detailed written comments were provided in 49% of returned surveys. All results were anonymous. The Survey was designed around five thematic areas. Results for each are highlighted below. Comparisons are made with results from a previous Mount Airy Survey on growth and development conducted in 2007.

### ***Quality of Life***

Ninety-nine percent of respondents viewed the overall quality of life in Mount Airy as being good, very good, or excellent. Respondents expressed a strong sentiment for Mount Airy's small town environment, selecting it as their top choice out of all most liked attributes. The top five most liked attributes of living in Mount Airy were, in rank order: (1) small town environment; (2) sense of safety; (3) family oriented; (4) quiet community; and (5) location. Conversely, the top most disliked attributes of living in Mount Airy were, in rank order: (1) shopping; (2) employment opportunities; (3) traffic; (4) recreational facilities; and (5) municipal services. Citizens value the importance of safety as expressed in their views that Mount Airy is a very good to excellent safe place to live, with sense of safety as a key most liked attribute. These results are similar to those from the 2007 Survey.

### ***Issues and Needs***

Respondents identified the lack of commercial growth and improvements in the downtown district, and traffic safety on Main Street as their top two major concerns needing urgent action by the Town. Vandalism of personal property/crime/drugs, and the overall strength of Mount Airy's commercial district economy were the top two issues needing some improvement and action. Lack of affordable housing, and the existing level and pace of residential growth were the top two topics identified as NOT being an issue or needing any action.

### ***Growth and Development***

**Commercial Business Growth.** Respondents expressed a clear desire to concentrate additional business growth in existing commercial areas (76%), but were also somewhat open to identifying new areas. As noted above, results indicate some forms of additional businesses are needed within the Town. There was a clear choice for small retail stores and restaurants as the types of businesses Survey respondents identified as being most desired. Hotels received the least amount of interest relative to other types of businesses. These results are similar to those from the 2007 Survey. Respondents expressed a strong belief (92%) that Mount Airy businesses should be participating in the Town's recycling program.

**Center Street.** On the issue of connecting Center Street to enable direct passage from Route 27 to Main Street, there was almost a two-to-one ratio of respondents *in favor of* connecting Center Street. Forty-five percent of respondents said they would be *in favor of* expending tax dollars for its completion and 24% were *not in favor*. However, 31% indicated they needed more information to decide. This may suggest the need for additional communication and information sharing with citizens on this topic.

**Flat Iron Building.** On the future of the Flat Iron Building, respondents indicated their openness to selling or giving conditional ownership of the property to a private enterprise (38% *yes*; 26% *no*). At the same time, 36% said they needed more information to make a decision, suggesting additional communication and information sharing may be needed with citizens on this topic. Respondents selected three options approximately equally at roughly 22% each as to how they wanted their tax dollars spent in the future use of the Flat Iron Building property. These were: (1) remove the building and stabilize the land; (2) replace with a multi-use park-like setting with benches/plaza; and (3) replace with a larger structure as recommended by the consultant. Reviewing each option separately, replace with a larger structure as recommended by the consultant was ranked marginally higher (24%). Other options were each selected 7% or less.

**Harrison Leishear Property.** On the future potential management and development of the Harrison Leishear property, 52% of respondents favored bringing the property into the Town with the pros as noted, while only 6% favored the property being developed under county control. Fifteen percent preferred that the property remain as is and did not believe it would be developed under the county. Twenty-six percent said they needed more information to make a decision, suggesting additional communication and information sharing may be needed with citizens on this topic.

**Residential Growth and Views on the Need for Affordable Housing.** When asked, “Which of the following affordable housing options would you support being expanded in Mount Airy,” respondents clearly selected *I do not support any additional affordable housing options* as their top choice. In addition, those that selected this option did so strongly, ranking it #1 as their most desired option 88% of the time. This view is reinforced by results from earlier questions in which lack of affordable housing, and existing level and pace of residential growth were the top two topics *not being an issue or needing any action*. Respondent choices, in rank order, were: (1) no additional affordable housing needed; (2) single family homes; (3) townhouses; (4) condominiums, and (5) apartment complexes. These results are nearly identical to those from the 2007 Survey.

**Recreational Facilities.** Respondents expressed a clear preference for recreational facilities that offer leisure activities in the natural environment. The top two most desired types of facilities were nature trails/walking, bicycling, and jogging paths; and wooded areas/natural open space. Picnic facilities were ranked third; ball fields fourth. Basketball/tennis courts and rollerblading/skateboarding received the least interest. These results are generally similar to those from the 2007 Survey. A detailed review of written comments from respondents would provide additional context and insights on citizen views concerning all of the growth and development issues discussed above.

## **Safety**

**Top Safety Concerns.** Respondents ranked drug violations/activity as their most serious safety concern, ranking it #1 or #2 collectively 70% of the time relative to all other choices. This is reinforced by results from another question for which respondents identified vandalism of personal property/crime/drugs as their top issue needing *some improvement or action*. Traffic safety was a frequent concern, reinforced by results from an earlier question for which respondents identified traffic as their #3 ranked most disliked attribute of living in Mount Airy.

**Police Performance and Community Services.** Respondents expressed a very positive (92%) overall level of satisfaction with the Mount Airy Police Department (MAPD). Only 8% of respondents selected *not satisfied-needs improvement*. Initial analysis indicates that, of those respondents who selected *not satisfied-needs improvement*, a higher percentage (16%) of them were from the Twin Ridge neighborhood. Respondents expressed a clear choice for neighborhood watch information/assistance, and crime prevention strategies (ranked #1 and #2, respectively) as being the most beneficial services that could be offered to citizens by the MAPD’s Community Services Unit. For context, the MAPD was

established in October 2017. An initial review of respondent written comments found a noticeable theme regarding safety, and the MAPD. Further detailed analysis of these comments and other safety-related Survey question responses in a holistic manner may yield a more comprehensive understanding of views on safety held by Town citizens.

### ***Town Services and Government***

**Government Services and Engagement.** Respondents offered their views on the value-added of Town government services and how well Town government engages with and listens to its citizens. Three areas were presented for opinion: (1) I receive good value for the Town of Mount Airy taxes I pay; (2) The Town of Mount Airy government welcomes citizen involvement and opinions; and (3) The Town of Mount Airy government cares about what people like me think. Most respondents agreed with these statements (65-70% chose *agree* and 15-21% chose *strongly agree*). It is noteworthy that “The Town of Mount Airy government cares about what people like me think” received the highest negative opinion. Survey respondents selected *disagree* or *strongly disagree* 18% of the time when evaluating this area.

An initial “within location” analysis was done to examine the number of respondents from within a location who disagreed with “I receive good value for the Town of Mount Airy taxes I pay.” Initial analysis indicates that Back Acre (Twin Arch) had a relatively higher percentage of respondents (25%) that disagreed or strongly disagreed with this statement compared to results for other locations.

On the question of whether or not citizens have had any experiences or impacts to them that involved the review and resolution of Town Code and Zoning requirements and violations, 20% of respondents answered Yes. Of these that did, 58% were either *satisfied* or *very satisfied* with the resolution of their issues, whereas 42% were either *dissatisfied* or *very dissatisfied*.

**Performance of Town Council and Commissions.** Survey respondents’ views were mildly favorable regarding how well the Town Council and each of the Town’s Commissions have performed in addressing and resolving issues affecting the Town. Survey respondents selected *Average*, *Very Good*, and *Not Familiar Enough to Offer an Opinion* ratings most frequently and at similar numbers for each government organization. Survey respondents selected *Not Familiar Enough to Offer an Opinion* roughly 33% of the time for each government organization; the Sustainability Commission (45%) received the highest percentage in this category.

The Recycling and Sanitation Commission received the highest *Excellent* rating (15%). The Economic Development Commission was rated *Below Average* (13%) the most of any government organization, followed closely by the Planning and Zoning Commission (12%).

These results indicate that roughly one-third of Survey respondents are not aware of the responsibilities and associated performance of almost all of the Town’s government organizations, in particular the Sustainability Commission. Results may suggest the need for more communication and outreach to citizens on the role of the Town’s government organizations and how they are responsive to resolving Town issues and needs. This may apply as well to those government organizations that were perceived by some to be *Below Average*.

### ***Communications / Town Demographics***

**Means of Receiving Town Information.** Respondents indicated that they primarily receive Town information through newspapers (76%) and social media (56%), and indicated that they have used these sources in the past three months (27% and 42%, respectively). The Town of Mount Airy Web Site was selected third (50%), with 33% of respondents indicating that they used it in the past three months.

**How Long Respondents Have Lived in Mount Airy.** Seventy-two percent of respondents have been living in Mount Airy for eleven years or more. This is about evenly split between those living in Mount Airy for more than 20 years (39%) and those living in Mount Airy for 11-20 years (33%). Twenty-eight percent of respondents have lived in Mount Airy ten years or less.

**Age Groups in Residences.** Respondents indicated that 61% of persons living in residences are between the ages of 40-59, representing the largest age group within residences. The other age groups and their percentages are: Over 60 (39%); 20-39 (38%); and Under 20 (36%). Comparison of this data to the 2007 Survey indicates that: the Over 60 age group increased 15% from 2007 to 2020; the 40-59 age group increased 5%; the 20-39 age group decreased 3%; and the Under 20 age group remained the same.

**Subdivisions/Locations Represented.** There was broad representation of Survey respondents from the neighborhoods spanning the Town of Mount Airy. Subdivision and location information provided by respondents was organized into 25 distinct locations. This information will be valuable when performing additional analysis to understand additional location-specific views, concerns, and suggestions for improvement.

### ***Overall Direction of the Town of Mount Airy***

In summary, respondents expressed a very clear view (91%) that in their opinion the Town of Mount Airy was headed in the *right direction*, with only 9% selecting *wrong direction*. An initial “within location” analysis was done to examine those respondents selecting *wrong direction*. The analysis indicates that the locations of Main Street (19%), Park Avenue (20%) and Mount Airy East (21%) each had relatively higher percentages of respondents who selected *wrong direction* compared to other locations. A detailed review of all written comments provided by respondents would provide a greater understanding of the views, concerns, and suggestions for improvement relative to the future direction of Mount Airy to improve the town we all call home.

### ***Recommendations***

**Opportunities for Stakeholder Outreach.** The Task Force recommends that this Survey Report be made available to the citizens of Mount Airy. Posting the Report to the Town Web Site can accomplish this. Survey results should be presented to Town officials in settings open to the public. Information exchanges with stakeholder and community groups should also be considered where there is interest.

**Opportunities to Gain Further Insights on Survey Results.** The Task Force recommends that additional analysis be performed to go beyond the summary results and initial analysis presented here. Benefits realized through application of additional analytical lenses would include a deeper understanding of all written comments and results by location and other demographic information, and a set of tailored thematic or topic-specific profiles or dashboards (e.g., growth and development; safety). Using safety as an example, a safety dashboard would present focused findings on the analysis of all safety-specific survey questions and associated written comments, and associated demographic information in a holistic manner.

The Town should take advantage of the user license it has purchased for the Survey Monkey software. Survey Monkey could be used to conduct future surveys online on topics that arise in the coming year. The 2020 Community Survey should be used as the template for future Mount Airy growth and development surveys. Doing so would provide efficiencies in effort and cost, and allow for a direct comparison to 2020 Survey results. Additionally, future surveys should be conducted primarily online employing Survey Monkey or an equivalent online software tool.



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## **INTRODUCTION**

### **Purpose**

The Town of Mount Airy conducted the 2020 Community Survey in order to understand citizen views regarding the quality of life, municipal services, and pressing concerns that impact daily life as a Town resident. The Survey was prepared by the Growth and Development Task Force. The Survey and Task Force were commissioned by Mayor Patrick Rockinberg to assist the Town Council and the Town in future decisions that impact the community as a whole.

The objectives of the Survey were to obtain citizen insights as to the desired future direction of our Mount Airy community. It was also envisioned that responses received would serve as critical input for updating the Town's Master Plan for growth and development, and for use in other town-related decision making by our Mount Airy government. Finally, feedback captured through the Survey would allow decision makers to prioritize and direct available finite resources (budget and staff) with valuable citizen input in mind.

### **Methods and Materials**

Each Town Council member was asked by Mayor Patrick Rockinberg to recommend a Town citizen to serve on the Task Force. Subsequently, the Task Force was established in Spring 2019 and was guided by the following principles: (1) Town of Mount Airy citizens are the most important stakeholders in shaping the future of our community; and (2) transparency of process and results. The Task Force began its deliberations and Survey development efforts in May 2019 and completed the Survey in January 2020. Task Force meetings were open to the public. The Survey was distributed by mail in hard copy format to all Town residents in January 2020, with instructions for completing and returning it to the Town using a provided pre-paid envelope by February 29, 2020. All Survey responses were anonymous. Subsequent processing and tabulation of hard copy surveys was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on Town of Mount Airy life and functions from March-July. The Task Force was able to process and tabulate Survey responses in earnest beginning mid-August, with all Survey responses entered into an electronic database format in early October.

The Task Force reached out to various Town of Mount Airy departments, commissions, and boards in the process of formulating the Survey. In addition, with the assistance of Mayor Rockinberg, the Task Force reached out to other local towns and municipalities to obtain insights and lessons learned from their efforts in developing and implementing community surveys. The Task Force also reviewed the content, results, and associated lessons learned from a Town of Mount Airy Survey conducted in 2007.

The Survey was designed around five thematic areas: quality of life; issues and needs; growth and development; safety; and Town services and government. Approximately 20 percent of Survey questions were designed to be near identical to those contained in the 2007 Town Survey, to provide insights on similarities and differences in citizen views relative to the current and past survey. Most questions were presented in tabular format with many sub-elements for which choices were to be ranked or rated in order of priority. Several town topic-specific narrative questions (e.g., on various town properties and growth/development issues) were included, as well as a comments section encouraging citizens to offer their views on issues, concerns, and suggestions for improvement. Finally, questions on demographics (e.g., how long have you lived in Mount Airy; what subdivisions do you live in; what age groups live in your residence) were included. The goal of designing the Survey in this manner was to facilitate the review of results through different "analytical lenses" (e.g., by location and

other demographic information; individual question-specific results; and associated written comments for each) and gain a comprehensive understanding of citizen views for their subsequent consideration by the Town.

Hard copy survey responses were entered into the Survey Monkey software platform (SVMK, Inc., an online survey development cloud-based software service). Quality Assurance / Quality Control (QA/QC) measures were applied to check the accuracy of Survey response data entered into the software platform relative to hard copy responses. Once Survey response data entry was completed, data within the Survey Monkey platform was also saved within Microsoft Excel to facilitate data analytics. Initial analysis of Survey response data is presented in the RESULTS AND DISCUSSION section of this report.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

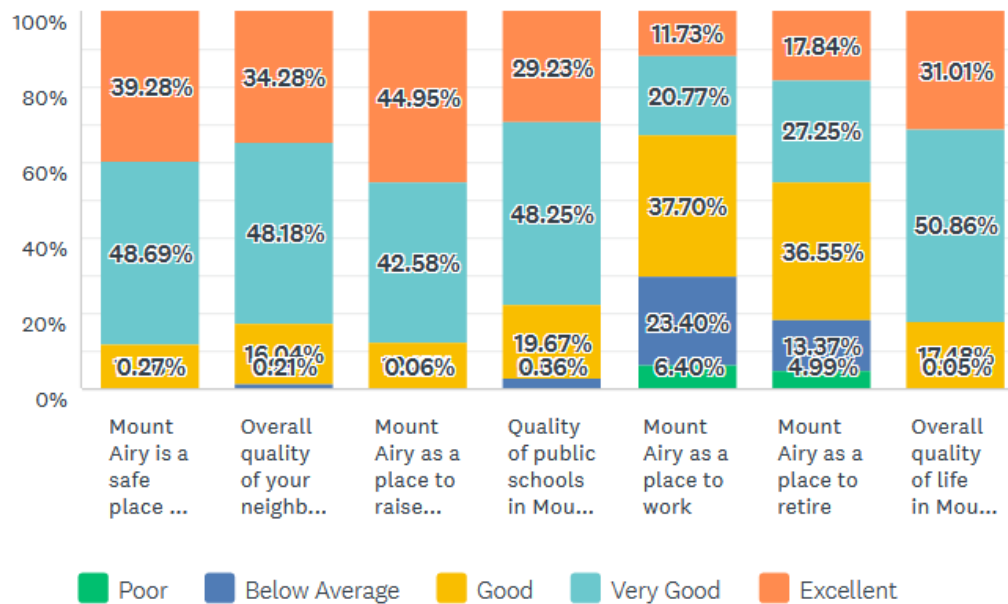
Results and associated initial analysis of the Town of Mount Airy 2020 Community Survey are presented below. Results are presented for each individual Survey question. The number of times each question was answered and skipped by Survey respondents also is provided. Evident observations and trends in Survey response data associated with initial analysis are highlighted and discussed. Questions in the 2020 Survey that are similar to questions posed in the 2007 Survey are annotated with an asterisk (\*) for comparative purposes. Evident similarities and differences in results for these questions are highlighted for perspective on how citizen views have changed or remained relatively the same from 2007 to 2020.

Survey implementation yielded a survey response rate of 26% (e.g., 7238 surveys mailed out; 1901 surveys returned to the Town). Detailed written comments were provided by Survey respondents in about one-half (933 or 49%) of returned surveys. For reference, published survey research indicates that a typical survey response rate ranges from 5 to 30%, and that response rates can be impacted by factors such as survey delivery method, survey length and degree of difficulty, and if incentives are offered for survey completion. As such, the response rate of 26% reflects a positive Survey response rate given the length and comprehensiveness of the Survey and associated time needed for its completion. Broad demographics information provided by Survey respondents suggests that Survey results reflect good representation of citizen views for neighborhoods spanning the Town of Mount Airy.

## Q1 (\*)

Please give your opinion on each of the following aspects regarding the quality of life in Mount Airy. For each aspect listed, check the box that best represents your opinion.

- Answered: 1,875
- Skipped: 26



	POOR	BELOW AVERAGE	GOOD	VERY GOOD	EXCELLENT	TOTAL
▼ Mount Airy is a safe place to live	0.00% 0	0.27% 5	11.76% 220	48.69% 911	39.28% 735	1,871
▼ Overall quality of your neighborhood	0.21% 4	1.28% 24	16.04% 300	48.18% 901	34.28% 641	1,870
▼ Mount Airy as a place to raise children	0.06% 1	0.28% 5	12.13% 220	42.58% 772	44.95% 815	1,813
▼ Quality of public schools in Mount Airy	0.36% 6	2.50% 42	19.67% 331	48.25% 812	29.23% 492	1,683
▼ Mount Airy as a place to work	6.40% 102	23.40% 373	37.70% 601	20.77% 331	11.73% 187	1,594
▼ Mount Airy as a place to retire	4.99% 87	13.37% 233	36.55% 637	27.25% 475	17.84% 311	1,743
▼ Overall quality of life in Mount Airy	0.05% 1	0.59% 11	17.48% 324	50.86% 943	31.01% 575	1,854

**Discussion:**

Results for most aspects regarding the quality of life in Mount Airy were very positive (e.g., Very Good or Excellent) and similar.

Noteworthy exceptions were the *Mount Airy as a Place to Work* and *Mount Airy as a Place to Retire* aspects, with combined below average to poor responses of 30% and 18% respectively. No other aspect was identified above 3% for combined below average and poor opinions.

Ninety-nine percent of all Survey respondents viewed the *Overall Quality of Life in Mount Airy* as being Good, Very Good, or Excellent. This is similar to results from the 2007 Survey in which overall quality of life was viewed as being Good to Excellent 96% of the time.

## Q2 (\*)

What do you LIKE MOST about living in Mount Airy? Select up to 4, and rank your choices in order of priority with "1" being most important.

- Answered: 1,740
- Skipped: 161

	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
▼ Employment Opportunities	33.33% 3	44.44% 4	11.11% 1	11.11% 1	9
▼ Recreational Facilities	5.26% 4	22.37% 17	38.16% 29	34.21% 26	76
▼ Shopping / Entertainment	6.60% 7	24.53% 26	24.53% 26	44.34% 47	106
▼ Municipal Services	5.60% 7	20.00% 25	36.80% 46	37.60% 47	125
▼ Traffic	8.70% 12	21.01% 29	25.36% 35	44.93% 62	138
▼ Community Pride	13.48% 36	22.47% 60	29.96% 80	34.08% 91	267
▼ Historic Character	11.38% 38	24.25% 81	29.34% 98	35.03% 117	334
▼ Schools	16.75% 67	26.25% 105	37.25% 149	19.75% 79	400
▼ Atmosphere	24.89% 116	19.53% 91	19.74% 92	35.84% 167	466
▼ Rural Setting	26.71% 168	27.82% 175	21.46% 135	24.01% 151	629
▼ Location	30.48% 214	22.65% 159	26.64% 187	20.23% 142	702
▼ Quiet Community	24.83% 185	26.31% 196	24.03% 179	24.83% 185	745
▼ Family Oriented	32.86% 253	28.44% 219	22.47% 173	16.23% 125	770
▼ Sense of Safety	27.84% 255	31.00% 284	25.87% 237	15.28% 140	916
▼ Small Town	34.64% 361	23.13% 241	20.63% 215	21.59% 225	1,042

Summary: Top Five Most Liked Attributes of Mount Airy		
Relative Ranking	Town Attribute	Total Number Selected
1	Small Town	1042
2	Sense of Safety	916
3	Family Oriented	770
4	Quiet Community	745
5	Location	702



**Discussion:**

Survey respondents expressed a strong sentiment for Mount Airy's small town environment, selecting it as their top choice out of all most liked attributes. *Sense of Safety* was selected as the second choice. The top five most liked attributes of living in Mount Airy, in rank order, were: *Small Town, Sense of Safety, Family Oriented, Quiet Community, and Location*.

It is noteworthy that the top five most liked attributes of living in Mount Airy in 2020 are the same (and in essentially the same rank order) as those identified in the 2007 Survey. *Small Town* and *Sense of Safety* were ranked first and second, respectively, in the 2007 Survey.

### Q3 (\*)

What do you DISLIKE MOST about living in Mount Airy? Select up to 4, and rank your choices in order of priority with "1" being most disliked.

- Answered: 1,555
- Skipped: 346

	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
Family Oriented	9.52% 2	4.76% 1	42.86% 9	42.86% 9	21
Quiet Community	9.09% 3	36.36% 12	30.30% 10	24.24% 8	33
Historic Character	15.91% 7	20.45% 9	36.36% 16	27.27% 12	44
Small Town	21.57% 11	19.61% 10	31.37% 16	27.45% 14	51
Community Pride	15.38% 8	15.38% 8	30.77% 16	38.46% 20	52
Atmosphere	18.64% 11	16.95% 10	30.51% 18	33.90% 20	59
Rural Setting	15.87% 10	23.81% 15	26.98% 17	33.33% 21	63
Sense of Safety	12.86% 9	32.86% 23	31.43% 22	22.86% 16	70
Schools	14.12% 12	21.18% 18	35.29% 30	29.41% 25	85
Location	23.08% 21	28.57% 26	20.88% 19	27.47% 25	91
Municipal Services	16.60% 39	22.98% 54	30.64% 72	29.79% 70	235
Recreational Facilities	23.52% 159	39.79% 269	24.26% 164	12.43% 84	676
Traffic	60.96% 470	16.08% 124	13.49% 104	9.47% 73	771
Employment Opportunities	34.60% 301	35.06% 305	19.66% 171	10.69% 93	870
Shopping / Entertainment	48.78% 479	28.82% 283	15.27% 150	7.13% 70	982

Summary: Top Five Most Disliked Attributes of Mount Airy		
Relative Ranking	Town Attribute	Total Number Selected
1	Shopping	982
2	Employment Opportunities	870
3	Traffic	771
4	Recreational Facilities	676
5	Municipal Services	235

## Discussion:

The top five most disliked attributes of living in Mount Airy, in rank order, were: *Shopping, Employment Opportunities, Traffic, Recreational Facilities, and Municipal Services*.

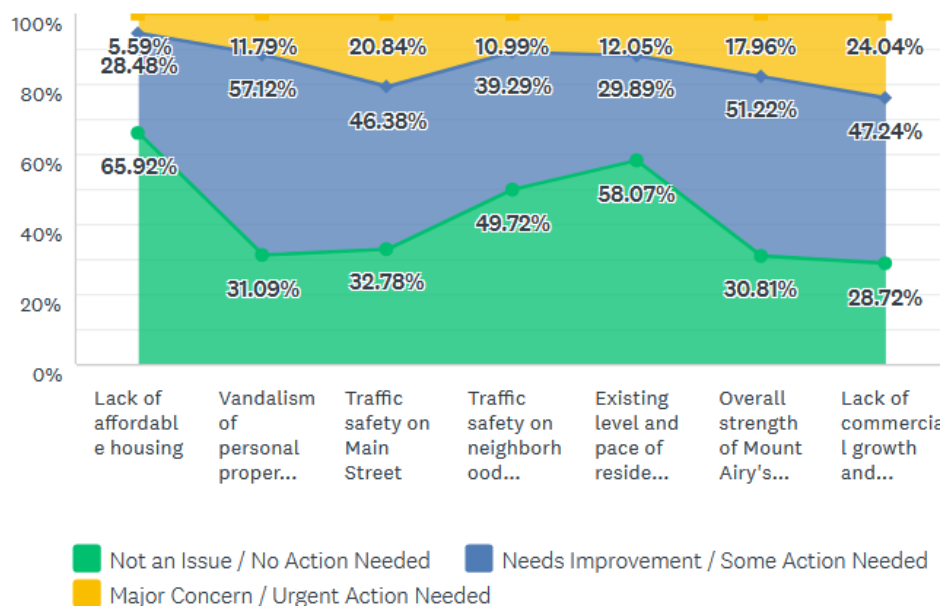
Of Survey respondents who selected *Traffic*, it was ranked as their highest priority 61% of the time. Of Survey respondents who selected *Shopping/Entertainment*, it was ranked as their highest priority 49% of the time. These two attributes received the most #1 rankings by Survey respondents.

It is noteworthy that the top five most disliked attributes of living in Mount Airy in 2020 were the same most disliked attributes (and in almost the same rank order) identified in the 2007 Survey. *Traffic* and *Shopping* were ranked first and second, respectively, in the 2007 Survey.

## Q4

To what degree, if at all, do you think each of the following topics is a problem area or need that should be addressed in Mount Airy? For each topic listed, check the box that best represents your opinion.

- Answered: 1,874
- Skipped: 27



	NOT AN ISSUE / NO ACTION NEEDED	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT / SOME ACTION NEEDED	MAJOR CONCERN / URGENT ACTION NEEDED	TOTAL
▼ Lack of affordable housing	65.92% 1,155	28.48% 499	5.59% 98	1,752
▼ Vandalism of personal property / crime / drugs	31.09% 546	57.12% 1,003	11.79% 207	1,756
▼ Traffic safety on Main Street	32.78% 593	46.38% 839	20.84% 377	1,809
▼ Traffic safety on neighborhood streets	49.72% 887	39.29% 701	10.99% 196	1,784
▼ Existing level and pace of residential growth	58.07% 1,022	29.89% 526	12.05% 212	1,760
▼ Overall strength of Mount Airy's commercial district economy	30.81% 542	51.22% 901	17.96% 316	1,759
▼ Lack of commercial growth and improvements in the downtown district	28.72% 515	47.24% 847	24.04% 431	1,793

## Discussion:

Survey respondents identified *Lack of Commercial Growth and Improvements in the Downtown District*, and *Traffic Safety on Main Street* as their top two major concerns needing urgent action.

Survey respondents identified *Vandalism of Personal Property/Crime/Drugs*, and *Overall Strength of Mount Airy's Commercial District Economy* as their top two issues needing some improvement and action.

Survey respondents identified *Lack of Affordable Housing*, and *Existing Level and Pace of Residential Growth* as their top two topics NOT being an issue or needing any action.

It is noteworthy that Survey respondents selected *Traffic on Neighborhood Streets* as not being an issue or needing any action 50% of the time. Conversely, as noted above, *Traffic Safety on Main Street* was one of the top two concerns needing urgent action. This suggests that Survey respondent concerns about traffic are different for neighborhood streets as compared to Main Street.

It is noteworthy that *Traffic* (although not specific to Main Street) was identified in the previous question (Q3) as the third most disliked attribute of living in Mount Airy.

*Vandalism of Personal Property/Crime/Drugs* was identified as needing improvement and some action (57%) or as a major concern needing urgent action (12%). For context, citizens appear to value the importance of safety as expressed in responses to previous Survey questions (e.g., Mount Airy is viewed as a very good or excellent *safe place to live* per Q1, with *sense of safety* being the second most liked attribute about living in Mount Airy per Q2).

## Q5 (\*)

If you would like to see additional growth in the form of businesses, where should these new businesses be located? Please rank the choices below in order of priority, with "1" being the highest priority.

- Answered: 1,766
- Skipped: 135

	1	2	3	TOTAL
▼ Concentrate in Existing Commercial Areas	76.10% 1,216	21.09% 337	2.82% 45	1,598
▼ Identify New Areas	22.26% 295	51.47% 682	26.26% 348	1,325
▼ No Additional Businesses Needed	20.18% 253	21.93% 275	57.89% 726	1,254

### Discussion:

Survey respondents expressed a clear desire to concentrate additional growth in the form of businesses in existing commercial areas, as evident by this choice receiving a #1 ranking 76% of the time.

Survey respondents appeared somewhat open to identifying new areas, giving it a #2 ranking 51% of the time.

The choice, *No Additional Business Needed*, received the lowest #1 ranking (20%) and the highest #3 ranking (58%). This suggests that Survey respondents have a view that some additional business growth is needed. This is supported by Q4 results in which *Overall Strength of Mount Airy's Commercial District Economy* was the second highest ranked topic needing improvement/some action needed, and *Lack of Commercial Growth and Improvements in the Downtown District* was the highest ranked topic as being a major concern/needing urgent action.

Results from the 2007 survey followed the same results trend, with *Concentrate in Existing Commercial Areas* selected most frequently (62%), followed by *Identify New Areas* (27%) and *No Additional Business Needed* (12%).

A review of written comments from Survey respondents would provide additional context and insights on citizen views concerning commercial growth and development to be considered along with Q5 results presented here.

## Q6 (\*)

Which of the following types of businesses should be expanded in Mount Airy? Select up to three choices, with "1" being the most desired.

- Answered: 1,737
- Skipped: 164

	1	2	3	TOTAL
Hotels	32.48% 101	26.69% 83	40.84% 127	311
Bed & Breakfast	28.04% 113	35.73% 144	36.23% 146	403
Office/ Professional Services	25.83% 125	31.40% 152	42.77% 207	484
Performing Arts	26.55% 141	36.16% 192	37.29% 198	531
Large Retail Stores	44.20% 263	27.23% 162	28.57% 170	595
Restaurants	51.04% 566	29.67% 329	19.30% 214	1,109
Small Retail Stores	34.96% 416	41.93% 499	23.11% 275	1,190

### Discussion:

Survey respondents expressed a clear choice for *Small Retail Stores* (1190) and *Restaurants* (1109) as the top two types of businesses that should be expanded in Mount Airy.

Of Survey respondents who chose *Restaurants*, they ranked it #1 as their most desired business type 51% of the time.

Hotels (311) received the least amount of interest relative to other types of businesses.

The most desired types of businesses that should be expanded in Mount Airy identified above are the same as those identified in the 2007 Survey, and essentially in the same rank order. *Restaurants* and *Small Retail Stores* were among the top three choices in 2007. *Movie Theaters* was ranked second in 2007; this option was not included in the 2020 Survey. Similar to 2020, *Hotels* received the least amount of interest relative to other types of businesses in 2007.

## Q7 (\*)

Which of the following affordable residential housing options would you support being expanded in Mount Airy? Select up to three choices, with "1" being the most desired.

- Answered: 1,823
- Skipped: 78

	1	2	3	TOTAL
▼ Apartment Complexes	39.04% 114	25.34% 74	35.62% 104	292
▼ Single Family Homes	58.49% 503	28.95% 249	12.56% 108	860
▼ Townhouses	25.06% 199	53.40% 424	21.54% 171	794
▼ Condominiums	30.19% 160	30.57% 162	39.25% 208	530
▼ I do not support any additional affordable housing options	88.46% 843	6.09% 58	5.46% 52	953

### Discussion:

Survey respondents clearly selected *I Do Not Support Any Additional Affordable Housing Options* as their top choice. It is noteworthy that Survey respondents who selected this option (953) did so strongly, ranking it #1 as their most desired option 88% of the time. This suggests a strong view that Survey respondents do not support expansion of affordable housing options. This is supported by results from Q4, where Survey respondents identified *Lack of Affordable Housing*, and *Existing Level and Pace of Residential Growth* as their top two topics NOT being an issue or needing any action.

Survey respondents selected *Single Family Homes* as their second choice, and those who selected this option (860) ranked it #1 as their most desired option 58% of the time. Survey respondents selected *Apartment Complexes* (292) as their lowest choice.

A review of the 2007 Survey shows a very similar trend in expression of views on affordable housing expansion in Mount Airy, with *No Additional Affordable Housing Needed* identified strongly as the most desirable option and *Apartment Complexes* identified as the least desirable option.

Affordable Housing Option	Relative Ranking	
	2007 Survey	2020 Survey
No Additional Affordable Housing Needed	1	1
Moderately Priced Homes	2	Option not in 2020
Single Family Homes	Option not in 2007	2
Lower Priced Housing Interspersed with Higher Cost Housing	3	Option not in 2020
Townhouses	4 tie	3
Condominiums	4 tie	4
Apartment Complexes	5	5

A review of written comments from Survey respondents would provide additional context and insights on citizen views concerning residential growth and development to be considered along with Q7 results presented here.

### Q8 (\*)

What additional recreational facilities are most needed in Mount Airy? Select up to three choices, with "1" being the most needed.

- Answered: 1,710
- Skipped: 191

	1	2	3	TOTAL
Rollerblading / Skateboarding Park	23.62% 47	39.70% 79	36.68% 73	199
Basketball / Tennis Courts	24.77% 53	43.93% 94	31.31% 67	214
Ball Fields	42.93% 176	32.20% 132	24.88% 102	410
Playground Equipment	27.36% 116	33.49% 142	39.15% 166	424
Picnic Facilities	13.76% 83	31.01% 187	55.22% 333	603
Wooded Areas/ Natural Open Space	33.03% 331	45.31% 454	21.66% 217	1,002
Nature Trails/ Walking, Bicycling, and Jogging Paths	61.57% 889	27.70% 400	10.73% 155	1,444

### Discussion:

Survey respondents expressed a very clear preference for recreational facilities that would offer leisure activities in the natural environment. This is evident by *Nature Trails/Walking, Bicycling, and Jogging Paths* (1444), and *Wooded Areas/Natural Open Space* (1002) as clearly the most selected types of facilities by Survey respondents, followed by *Picnic Facilities* (603). Survey respondents who selected *Nature Trails/Walking, Bicycling, and Jogging Paths* ranked it #1 as being most needed 62% of the time.

It is noteworthy that while *Ball Fields* (410) was selected fifth in rank order out of the seven recreational facility options presented, Survey respondents that selected it ranked it #1 as being most needed 43% of the time.

*Basketball/Tennis Courts* (214) and *Rollerblading/Skateboarding* (199) choices received the least interest.

A review of the 2007 Survey shows that trends in needed additional recreational facilities were generally similar to trends observed above for the 2020 Survey. Note that recreational facility choices were slightly different in the 2007 survey. Similar to 2020 Survey results, facilities offering leisure activities in the natural environment were also viewed in 2007 as more needed relative to most other options, with

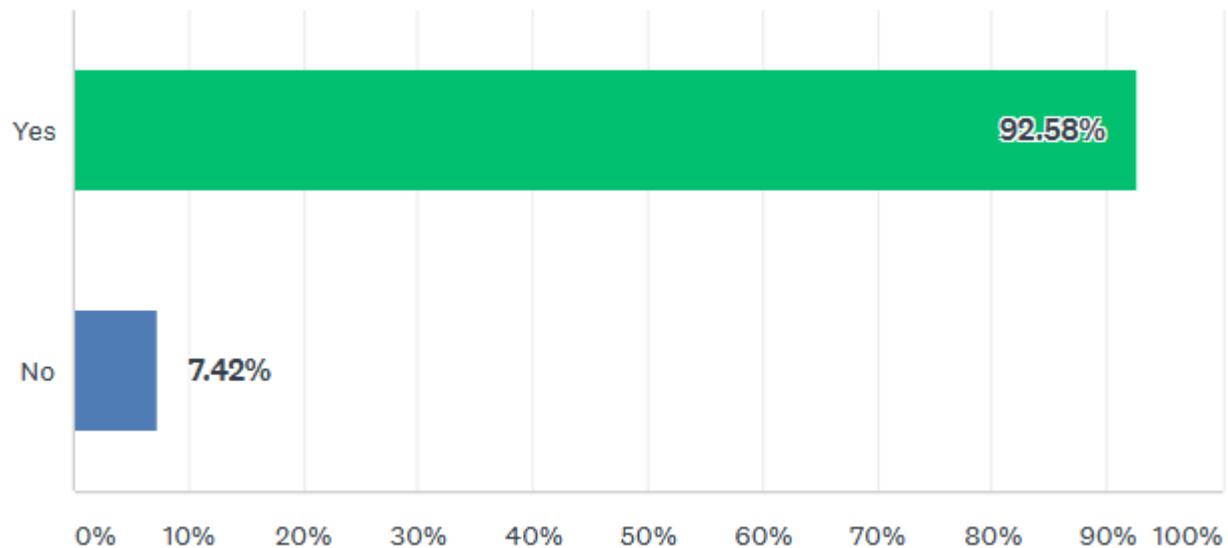


*Natural Open Space, Wooded Areas, Fishing Spots, and Picnic Facilities* identified more frequently. Similar to 2020 Survey results, *Rollerblading Park* and *Skateboarding Park* received the least interest in 2007. The top four recreational facilities identified in 2007, in rank order, were: *Natural Open Space; Swimming Pool; Wooded Areas; and Ball Fields*. Note that *Swimming Pool* was not an option available in the 2020 Survey.

## Q9

Currently, Mount Airy businesses including downtown merchants are not included in Mount Airy's recycling program. Do you believe they should be? Indicate your choice below.

- Answered: 1,819
- Skipped: 82



Yes = 92.58% (1,684)

No = 7.42% (135)

### Discussion:

Survey Respondents expressed a clear belief that Mount Airy businesses should be participating in the Town's recycling program (92%).

## Q10

What is your most serious concern regarding crime in the Town of Mount Airy? Please rank ALL of the items below in order of importance, with "1" being the most important.

- Answered: 1,742
- Skipped: 159

	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
▼ Theft / Fraud (Including Identity Theft)	17.57% 270	30.25% 465	36.56% 562	15.61% 240	1,537
▼ Burglary/ Assault/ Violence	27.34% 418	25.90% 396	26.95% 412	19.82% 303	1,529
▼ Traffic Safety Matters	27.61% 428	17.03% 264	13.74% 213	41.61% 645	1,550
▼ Drug Violations / Activity	39.21% 623	30.65% 487	20.77% 330	9.38% 149	1,589

### Discussion:

Survey respondents ranked *Drug Violations/Activity* as being their most serious safety concern. It was ranked #1 or #2 collectively 70% of the time. This is reinforced by results from Q4, where Survey respondents identified *Vandalism of Personal Property/Crime/Drugs* as their top issue needing some improvement and action.

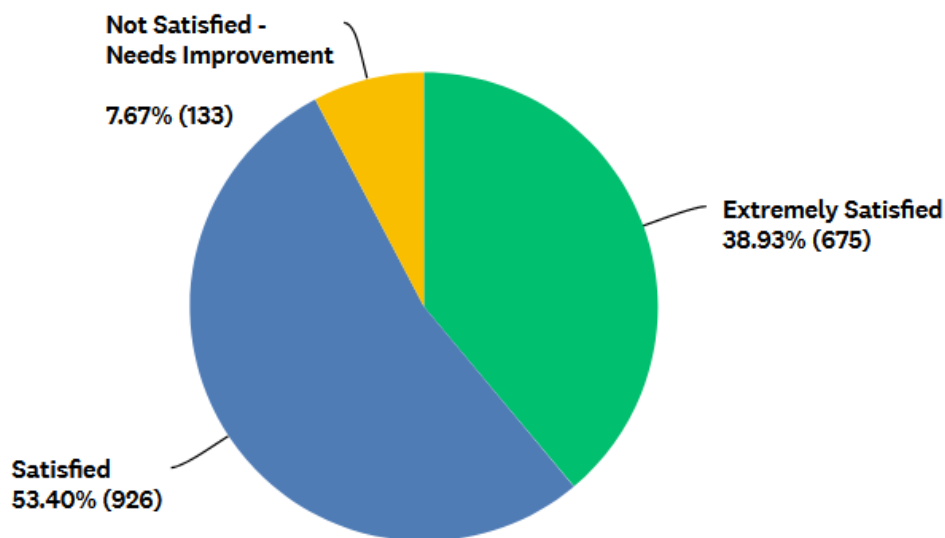
For context, citizens appear to value the importance of safety as expressed in responses to previous Survey questions (e.g., Mount Airy is viewed as a very good or excellent *safe place to live* per Q1, with *sense of safety* being the second most-liked attribute about living in Mount Airy per Q2). A review of Survey respondent written comments for safety-related themes and concerns would yield additional insights related to this and other survey questions on safety.

It is noteworthy that *Traffic Safety Matters* (as titled in this question and not specific to Downtown or Neighborhood traffic) was ranked #1 twenty-eight percent of the time and ranked #4 forty-two percent of the time, indicating a diversity of views on the severity of traffic as a general matter, and in the context of being rated relative to other types of safety concerns alone.

## Q11

What is your overall level of satisfaction with the services, level or coverage, and response times provided by the Mount Airy Police Department? Select ONE of the choices below.

- Answered: 1,734
- Skipped: 167



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely Satisfied	38.93%	675
Satisfied	53.40%	926
Not Satisfied - Needs Improvement	7.67%	133
TOTAL		1,734

### Discussion:

Survey respondents expressed a very positive (92%) overall level of satisfaction with the Mount Airy Police Department (MAPD). Only 8% of Survey respondents selected *Not Satisfied-Needs Improvement*.

An initial analysis indicates that, of those respondents who selected *Not Satisfied-Needs Improvement*, a higher percentage (16%) of them were from the Twin Ridge neighborhood.

For context, the MAPD began operations in the Town effective October 2017. Prior to this date, the Maryland State Police Resident Trooper Program provided policing in the Town.

An initial review of Survey respondent written comments found a noticeable theme of comments regarding safety and the MAPD. A thorough review of these written comments would provide additional context and insights on citizen views along with Q11 results presented here.

## Q12

Which of the following services provided by the Mount Airy Police Department's Community Services Unit would be of the most benefit to you? Select as many as you wish, and rank them in order of importance, with the top choice as most important.

- Answered: 1,683
- Skipped: 218

	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL
Other (please use the space at the end of this Survey to identify these other services)	35.40% 40	13.27% 15	7.08% 8	5.31% 6	0.88% 1	38.05% 43	113
Residential / Commercial Security Surveys	16.44% 135	29.35% 241	25.21% 207	16.93% 139	11.69% 96	0.37% 3	821
Identity Theft / Fraud Prevention	18.47% 159	31.24% 269	22.65% 195	15.45% 133	11.73% 101	0.46% 4	861
Regularly scheduled public forums for discussions on community policing issues and trends	33.10% 285	19.86% 171	19.63% 169	10.80% 93	16.03% 138	0.58% 5	861
Crime Prevention Strategies	31.67% 350	32.85% 363	24.25% 268	9.05% 100	2.17% 24	0.00% 0	1,105
Neighborhood Watch Information / Assistance	56.58% 709	24.18% 303	11.89% 149	5.35% 67	1.76% 22	0.24% 3	1,253

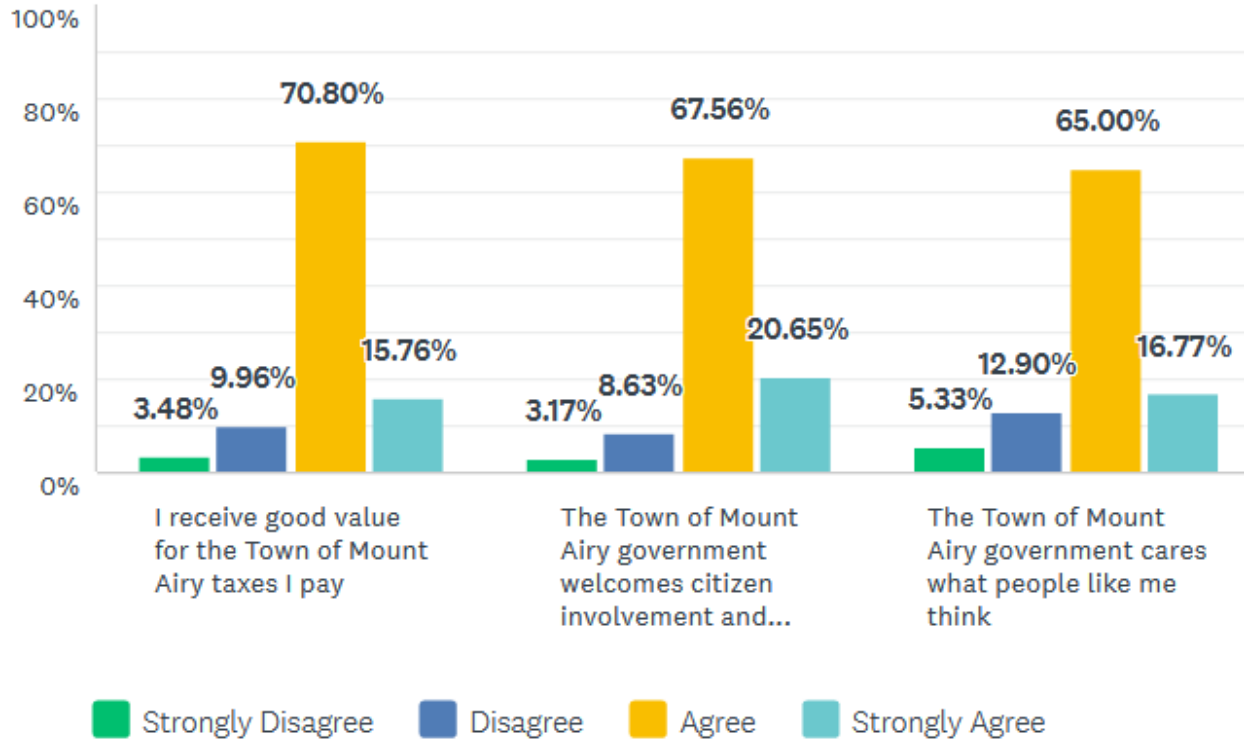
### Discussion:

Survey respondents selected *Neighborhood Watch Information/Assistance* (1253) and *Crime Prevention Strategies* (1105) as being the top two most beneficial services that could be offered to them. Of Survey respondents that selected *Neighborhood Watch Information/Assistance*, they ranked it #1 fifty-six percent of the time.

### Q13

For each of the following statements, check the box that most closely represents your opinion.

- Answered: 1,847
- Skipped: 54



	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	TOTAL
I receive good value for the Town of Mount Airy taxes I pay	3.48% 63	9.96% 180	70.80% 1,280	15.76% 285	1,808
The Town of Mount Airy government welcomes citizen involvement and opinions	3.17% 57	8.63% 155	67.56% 1,214	20.65% 371	1,797
The Town of Mount Airy government cares what people like me think	5.33% 95	12.90% 230	65.00% 1,159	16.77% 299	1,783

### Discussion:

Most Survey respondents clearly agreed with each of these statements (65-70% chose agree and 15 – 21% chose strongly agree).

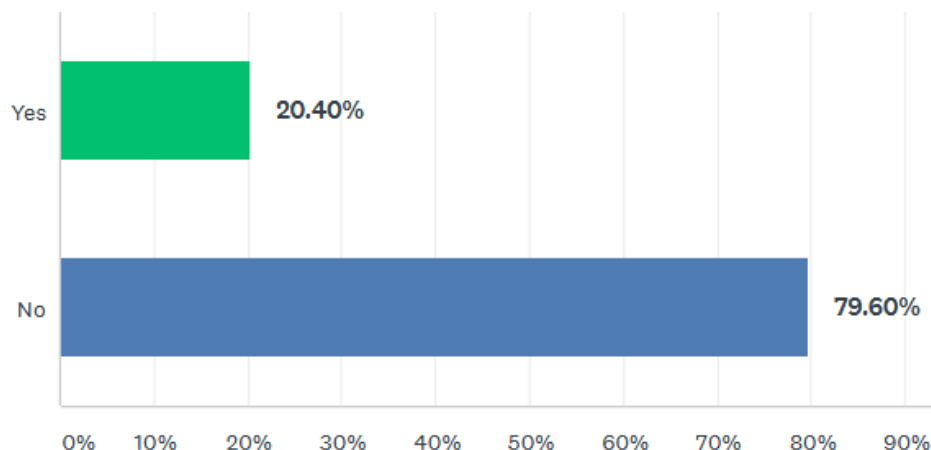
It is noteworthy that *The Town of Mount Airy Government Cares What People Like Me Think* received the highest negative opinion, with 18% of Survey respondents choosing disagree or strongly disagree.

An initial “within location” analysis was done to examine the number of Survey respondents from an individual location who disagreed or strongly disagreed with *I Receive Good Value for the Town of Mount Airy Taxes I Pay* relative to the total number of surveys received from that individual location. This analysis found that the location of Back Acre (Twin Arch) (25%) had a relatively higher percentage of Survey respondents that disagreed or strongly disagreed with this statement compared to results for other individual locations (13%).

### Q14 – Part 1

Have you had any experiences or impacts to you that involved the interpretation, application, and resolution of Town Code and Zoning requirements and violations? Indicate your answer below.

- Answered: 1,814
- Skipped: 87

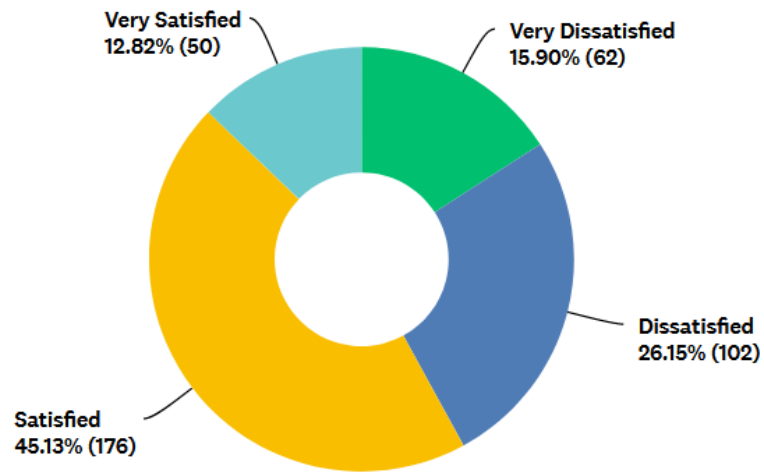


Yes = 20.4% (370)

No = 79.6% (1444)

### Q14 - Part 2

If you answered "yes" to the question above, how satisfied were you with the experience and the responsiveness of Mount Airy Town Government Officials in addressing and resolving these issues? Please check the choice below that best represents your level of satisfaction



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ Very Dissatisfied	15.90% 62
▼ Dissatisfied	26.15% 102
▼ Satisfied	45.13% 176
▼ Very Satisfied	12.82% 50

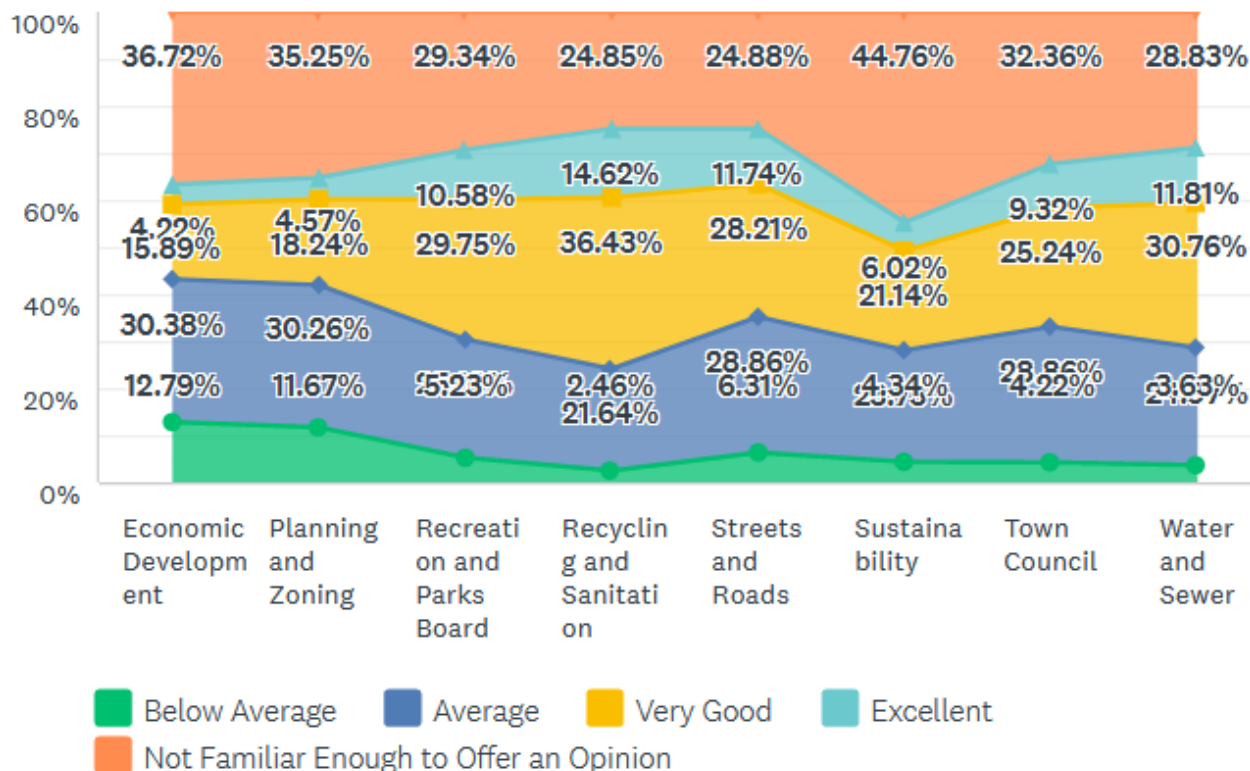
**Discussion:**

Of Survey respondents that selected yes, 58% were either satisfied or very satisfied with the resolution of their issues by Mount Airy Government Officials, whereas 42% were either dissatisfied or very dissatisfied.

## Q15

How well do you think the Town Council and each of the Town's Commissions has performed in addressing, acting upon, and resolving issues; and in providing timely recommendations and final decisions where appropriate? Please check the box below that best represents your opinion.

- Answered: 1,745
- Skipped: 156



	BELOW AVERAGE	AVERAGE	VERY GOOD	EXCELLENT	NOT FAMILIAR ENOUGH TO OFFER AN OPINION	TOTAL
▼ Economic Development	12.79% 218	30.38% 518	15.89% 271	4.22% 72	36.72% 626	1,705
▼ Planning and Zoning	11.67% 199	30.26% 516	18.24% 311	4.57% 78	35.25% 601	1,705
▼ Recreation and Parks Board	5.23% 89	25.10% 427	29.75% 506	10.58% 180	29.34% 499	1,701
▼ Recycling and Sanitation	2.46% 42	21.64% 370	36.43% 623	14.62% 250	24.85% 425	1,710
▼ Streets and Roads	6.31% 108	28.86% 494	28.21% 483	11.74% 201	24.88% 426	1,712
▼ Sustainability	4.34% 72	23.73% 394	21.14% 351	6.02% 100	44.76% 743	1,660
▼ Town Council	4.22% 71	28.86% 486	25.24% 425	9.32% 157	32.36% 545	1,684
▼ Water and Sewer	3.63% 62	24.97% 427	30.76% 526	11.81% 202	28.83% 493	1,710



## Discussion:

Survey respondents' views were mildly favorable regarding how well the Town Council and each of the Town Commissions have performed in addressing and resolving issues affecting the Town. Survey respondents selected *Average*, *Very Good*, and *Not Familiar Enough to Offer an Opinion* most frequently and at similar numbers for each government organization.

Survey respondents selected *Not Familiar Enough to Offer an Opinion* roughly 33% of the time for each government organization. The Sustainability Commission (45%) received the highest percentage in this category among available choices.

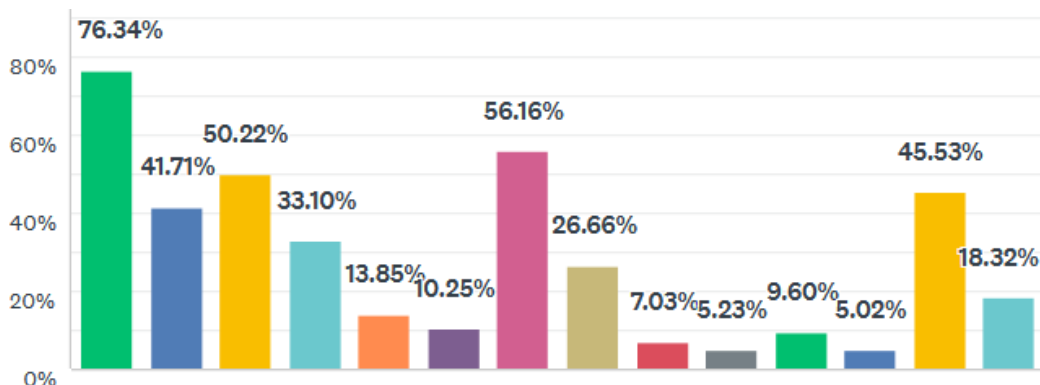
The Recycling and Sanitation Commission received the highest *Excellent* rating (15%). The Economic Development Commission was rated *Below Average* (13%) the most of any government organization, followed closely by the Planning and Zoning Commission (12%).

These results indicate that roughly one-third of Survey respondents are not aware of the responsibilities and associated performance of almost all of the Town's government organizations, in particular the Sustainability Commission. Results suggest the need for more communication and outreach to citizens on how the Town's government organizations are responsive to resolving Town issues and needs. This may apply as well to those government organizations that were most frequently perceived by some to be *Below Average*.

## Q16

Where do you receive town information? Check all that apply, and if you have used them in the past three months.

- Answered: 1,834
- Skipped: 67



-  Newspaper (e.g., Frederick News Post, Carroll County Times, Mount Airy Messenger) -
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-  Mount Airy Website (<https://www.mountairymd.org>) - I use this source
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-  Social Media - I use this source       Social Media - Used in past 3 months
-  Service Clubs - I use this source       Service Clubs - Used in past 3 months
-  Religious Functions - I use this source
-  Religious Functions - Used in past 3 months
-  Town Events (e.g., sports, walks, festivals) - I use this source
-  Town Events (e.g., sports, walks, festivals) - Used in past 3 months

ANSWER CHOICES ▼	RESPONSES ▼
▼ Newspaper (e.g., Frederick News Post, Carroll County Times, Mount Airy Messenger) - I use this source	76.34% 1,400
▼ Newspaper (e.g., Frederick News Post, Carroll County Times, Mount Airy Messenger) - Used in past 3 months	41.71% 765
▼ Mount Airy Website ( <a href="https://www.mountairymd.org">https://www.mountairymd.org</a> ) - I use this source	50.22% 921
▼ Mount Airy Website ( <a href="https://www.mountairymd.org">https://www.mountairymd.org</a> ) - Used in past 3 months	33.10% 607
▼ Mount Airy Town Council and other Town Government Commissions and Board Meetings - I use this source	13.85% 254
▼ Mount Airy Town Council and other Town Government Commissions and Board Meetings - Used in past 3 months	10.25% 188
▼ Social Media - I use this source	56.16% 1,030
▼ Social Media - Used in past 3 months	26.66% 489
▼ Service Clubs - I use this source	7.03% 129
▼ Service Clubs - Used in past 3 months	5.23% 96
▼ Religious Functions - I use this source	9.60% 176
▼ Religious Functions - Used in past 3 months	5.02% 92
▼ Town Events (e.g., sports, walks, festivals) - I use this source	45.53% 835
▼ Town Events (e.g., sports, walks, festivals) - Used in past 3 months	18.32% 336
<b>Total Respondents: 1,834</b>	

### Discussion:

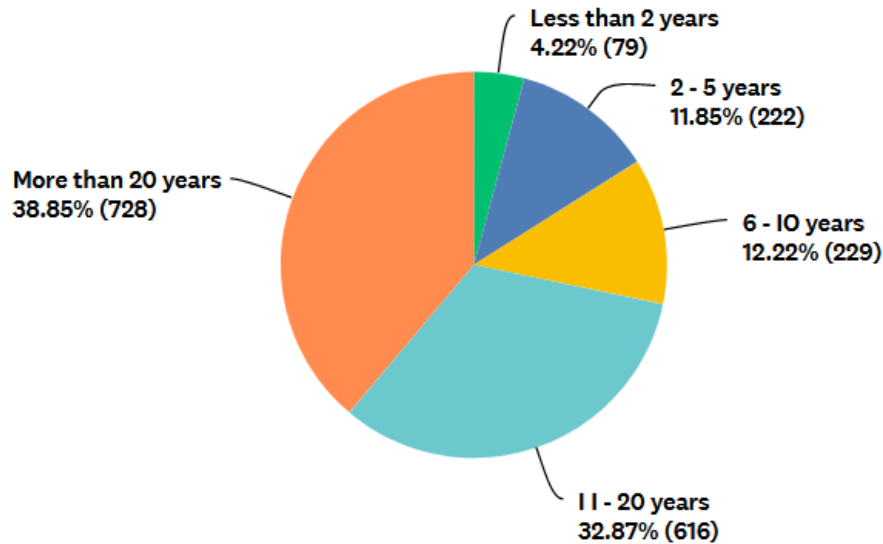
Survey respondents primarily selected *Newspapers* (76%) and *Social Media* (56%) for how they receive Town information, and indicated they have used these sources in the past three months (27% and 42%, respectively).

Survey respondents selected the *Mount Airy Website* (50%) third, with 33% of respondents indicated that they used it in the past three months.

## Q17

How long have you lived in Mount Airy? Select ONE from the choices below.

- Answered: 1,874
- Skipped: 27



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Less than 2 years	4.22% 79
2 - 5 years	11.85% 222
6 - 10 years	12.22% 229
11 - 20 years	32.87% 616
More than 20 years	38.85% 728

### Discussion:

Seventy-two percent of Survey respondents have been living in Mount Airy for eleven years or more. The percentage of these respondents is about evenly split between those living in Mount Airy for *more than 20 years* (39%) and those living in Mount Airy for *11-20 years* (33%).

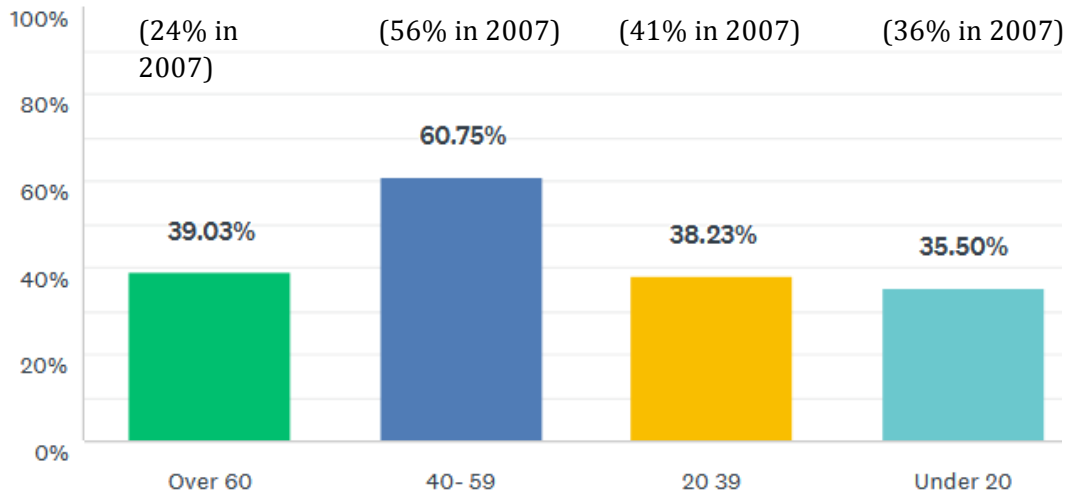
Survey respondents living in Mount Airy 10 years or less combined represented 28% of all residents.

Additional analysis could focus on how these two groups (11 years or more; 10 years or less) and subgroups responded to various Survey questions.

## Q18 (\*)

What age groups live in your residence? Select all that apply below.

- Answered: 1,865
- Skipped: 36



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Over 60	39.03% 728
40- 59	60.75% 1,133
20 39	38.23% 713
Under 20	35.50% 662

### Discussion:

Survey respondents indicated that 61% of persons living in their residences are between the ages of 40-59, representing the largest age group within residences. The other age groups and their percentages were: *Over 60* (39%); *20-39* (38%); and *Under 20* (36%).

A comparison of residence age group data from the 2007 Town Survey with the 2020 Survey indicates that:

- the *Over 60* age group has increased 15% from 2007 to 2020;
- the *40-59* age group has increased 5% from 2007 to 2020;
- the *20-39* age group has decreased 3% from 2007 to 2020; and
- the *Under 20* age group has remained the same from 2007 to 2020.

Based on the data available from this Survey, there is an increase in the number of persons over age 60 living in Mount Airy residences relative to 2007.

## Q19

What subdivision do you live in? If not a subdivision, what is the major road that you associate with?

- Answered: 1,793
- Skipped or "OTHER": 108

Location	Total Number of Respondents from This Location	Percentage
Back Acre (Twin Arch)	76	4%
Conestoga Heights	20	1.05%
East Ridgeville Blvd-Road	14	0.74%
Friendly Acres	17	0.89%
Hill Street	24	1.26%
Main Street	98	5.16%
Main Street (North)	44	2.31%
Main Street (South)	63	3.31%
Merridale/Turnberry	84	4.42%
Mount Airy East	24	1.26%
Mount Airy West	18	0.95%
Nottingham	298	15.68%
Park Avenue	76	4%
Prospect Road	72	3.79%
Ridge Drive	11	0.58%
Sterling Glen	89	4.68%
Summit Ridge	166	8.73%
Town View	8	0.42%
Twin Ridge	250	13.15%
Village Gate	123	6.47%
Village of Tall Oaks	73	3.84%
Warfield Estates	5	0.26%
West Ridge	45	2.37%
Wildwood Park	95	5%
OTHER	108	5.68%

### Discussion:

There was broad representation of Survey respondents from the neighborhoods spanning the Town of Mount Airy.

Survey respondents from Nottingham had the highest representation (298 or 15.68%), followed by respondents from Twin Ridge (250 or 13.15%). Survey respondents identified as living on Main Street, Main Street North, or Main Street South collectively had the third highest representation (a total of 205 or 10.78%).

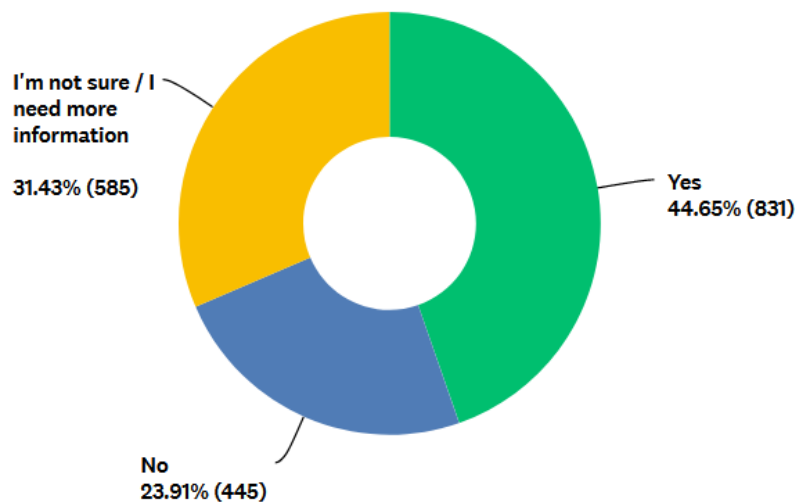
The "OTHER" location was used to designate those Survey respondents (108 or 5.8%) that did not provide location information, or that provided information that was not recognizable to the Task Force and could not be further binned into a location category.

The availability of location information in the 2020 Survey provides opportunities for subsequent data analytics of survey results filtered by location that could yield a better understanding of the views, issues, and concerns within particular neighborhoods.

## Q20

The "connection" of Center Street enabling direct passage from Route 27 to Main Street has long been a goal of the Town's Master Plan. Would you be in favor of expending tax dollars for its completion? Select the choice below that best represents your opinion.

- Answered: 1,861
- Skipped: 40



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
▼ Yes	44.65%	831
▼ No	23.91%	445
▼ I'm not sure / I need more information	31.43%	585

## Discussion:

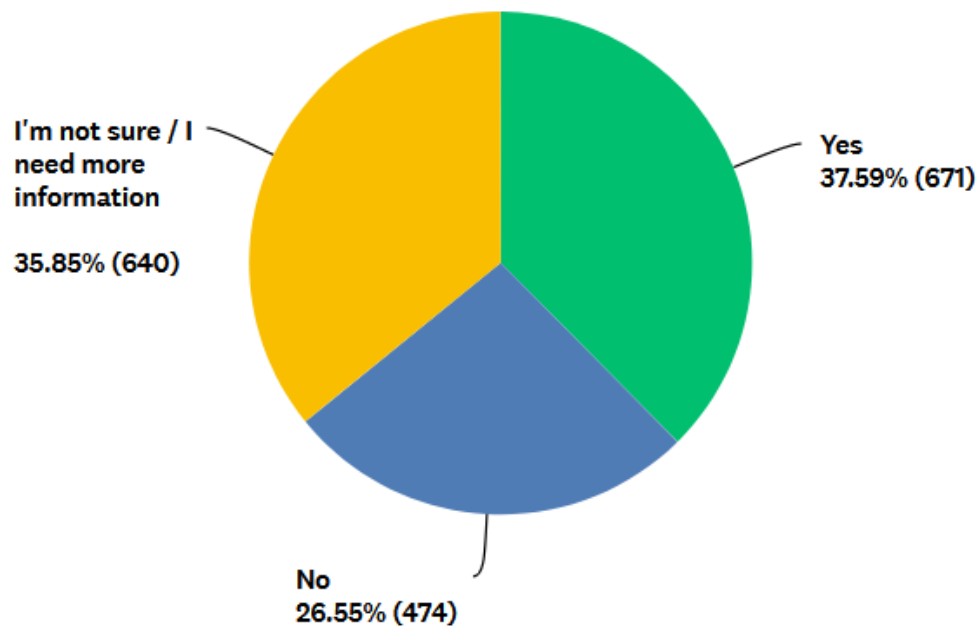
Forty-five percent of Survey respondents indicated they would be *in favor* of expending tax dollars for the connection of Center Street, compared to 24% indicating they are *not in favor*. This represents an almost two-to-one ratio *in favor of* connecting Center Street.

Almost one third (31%) of Survey respondents selected *I'm Not Sure/I Need More Information*. This may suggest the need for additional communication and information sharing with citizens on this topic.

### Q21 – Part 1

This question is about the Flat Iron Building. Would you prefer selling or giving CONDITIONAL ownership of the property to a private enterprise if possible?

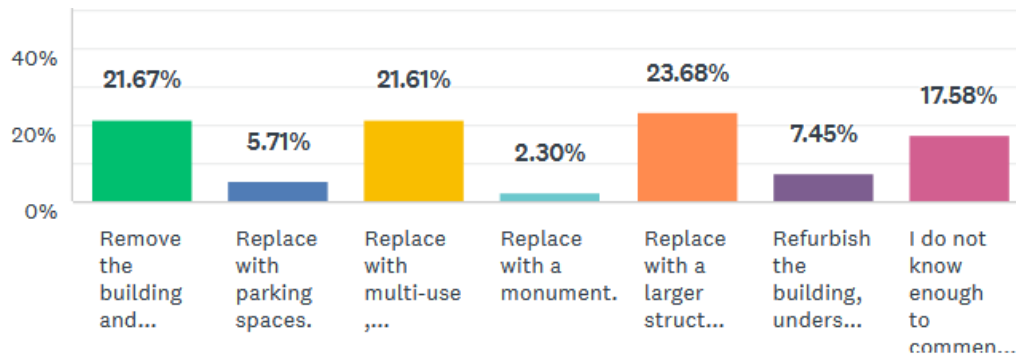
- Answered: 1,785
- Skipped: 116



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	37.59%	671
No	26.55%	474
I'm not sure / I need more information	35.85%	640
TOTAL		1,785

## Q21 – Part 2

If the Town retains the property, how do you want your tax dollars spent on the future use or this property? Select ONE of the choices below that best represents your opinion.



ANSWER CHOICES ▼	RESPONSES ▼
▼ Remove the building and stabilize the land; fill in with grass, shrubs, trees (least cost).	21.67% 387
▼ Replace with parking spaces.	5.71% 102
▼ Replace with multi-use, park-like, benches, small plaza with no building structure.	21.61% 386
▼ Replace with a monument.	2.30% 41
▼ Replace with a larger structure as recommended by the consultant with the benefits noted in the description. Since it is set back, no Main Street closures would be required (most expensive option).	23.68% 423
▼ Refurbish the building, understanding the high cost and limited uses (e.g., bathrooms; elevator for mobility impaired).	7.45% 133
▼ I do not know enough to comment. I look forward to the public hearing should this move forward.	17.58% 314
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,786</b>

### Discussion:

Survey respondents indicated their openness to selling or giving conditional ownership of the Flat Iron Building property to a private enterprise (38% *yes*; 26% *no*). At the same time, 36% of survey respondents selected *I'm Not Sure/I Need More Information*. This suggests that additional communication and information sharing on this topic may be needed to better educate citizens on benefits and drawbacks of this option.

Survey respondents selected three choices approximately equally at roughly 22% each as to how they wanted their tax dollars spent in the future use of the Flat Iron Building property: *Remove the Building and Stabilize the Land*; *Replace with a Multi-Use Park-Like Setting with Benches/Plaza*; and *Replace with a Larger Structure as Recommended by the Consultant*.

Reviewing each available choice separately, *Replace with a Larger Structure as Recommended by the Consultant* was ranked marginally higher (423 times, or 24%) by Survey respondents.



The other remaining available choices (*Replace with Parking Spaces; Replace with a Monument; Refurbish the Building*) were each selected 7% or less by Survey respondents.

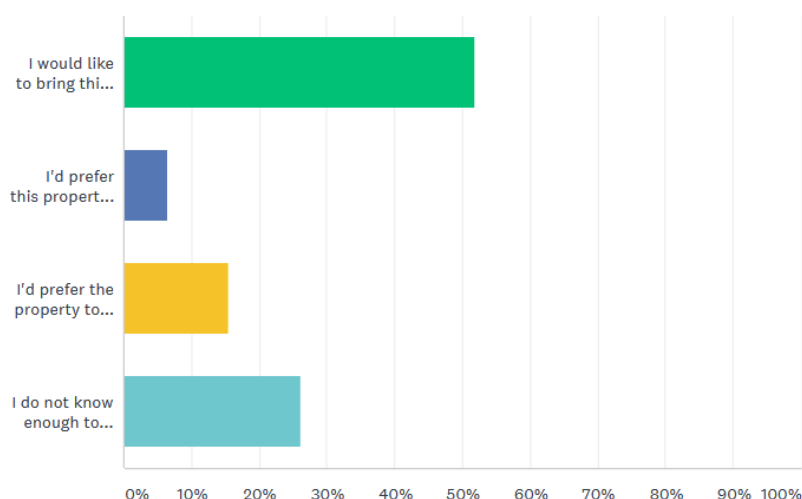
Seventeen percent of Survey respondents selected the option, *I Do Not Know Enough to Comment/I Look Forward to the Public Hearing Should this Move Forward*.

## Q22

This question is about the Harrison Leishear Property. Select ONE of the choices below that best represents your opinion.

- Answered: 1,799
- Skipped: 102

Answered: 1,799 Skipped: 102



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I would like to bring this into town with the pros as noted.	51.86%	933
I'd prefer this property be developed under county control.	6.39%	115
I'd prefer the property to remain as is and do not believe it will develop in the county.	15.56%	280
I do not know enough to comment. I look forward to the public hearings should this move forward.	26.18%	471
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,799</b>

## Discussion:

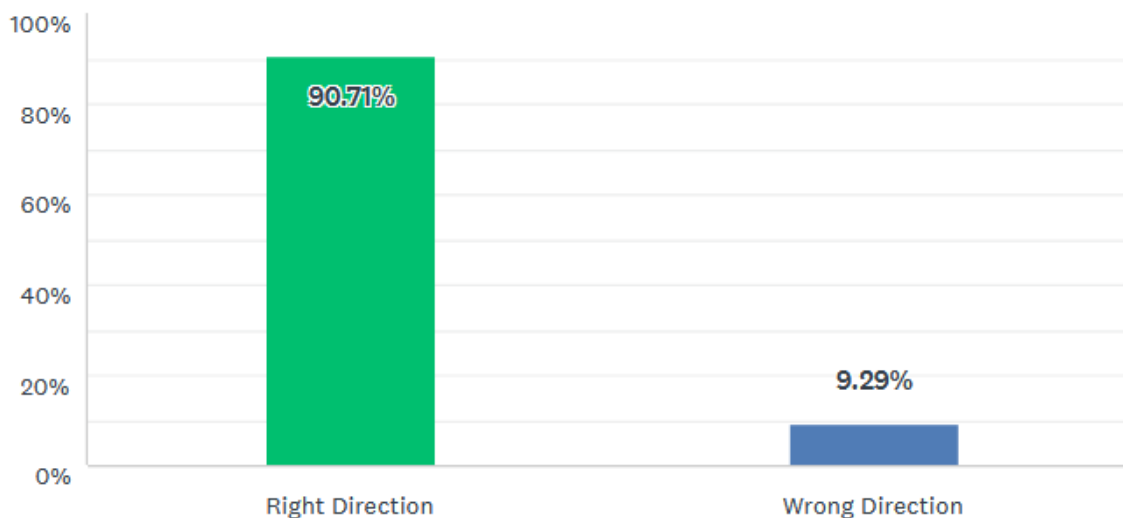
Fifty-two percent of Survey respondents favored *bringing the Harrison Leishear Property into the Town with the pros as noted*, while only 6% favored the *property being developed under county control*.

It is noteworthy that 26% of Survey respondents selected the choice, *I Do Not Know Enough to Comment. I Look Forward to the Public Hearings Should this Move Forward*. This suggests that additional communication and information exchange with citizens may be needed regarding the benefits and drawbacks of each of the options being considered for this property by the Town.

### Q23

In summary, would you say the Town of Mount Airy is headed in the right direction or the wrong direction? Select the choice that best represents your opinion.

- Answered: 1,582
- Skipped: 319



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Right Direction	90.71%	1,435
Wrong Direction	9.29%	147
TOTAL		1,582

#### Discussion:

Survey respondents expressed a very clear view (91%) that in their opinion the Town of Mount Airy was headed in the *Right Direction*. Only 9% selected *Wrong Direction*.

An initial analysis indicates that, of those respondents who selected *Wrong Direction*, a higher percentage (13%) of them were from Main Street.

In addition, an initial “within location” analysis was done to examine the number of Survey respondents from an individual location who selected *Wrong Direction* relative to the total number of surveys received from that individual location. This analysis found that the locations of Main Street (19%), Park Avenue (20%), and Mount Airy East (21%) each had a relatively higher percentage of Survey respondents that selected *Wrong Direction* compared to results for other individual locations.

It is noteworthy that within the full set of written comments, some Survey respondents indicated that they had trouble deciding if the Town was headed in the right or wrong direction, and as such did not directly answer this question.

## Q24

Written comments were provided by Survey respondents in 933 (49%) of surveys received. Refer to the APPENDICES section of this Report for a compilation of all written comments. The following graphic and table provide a flavor of the topics on which Survey respondents most frequently voiced their opinions.

A Word Cloud of all written comments is shown below. A word cloud uses both color and size to indicate the number of times a word or phrase was mentioned.

time sidewalks really happen concerned cars work additional add light come  
us small town feel apartments restaurants turn one  
affordable housing live feel Flat Iron building improve love allow  
road especially Thank seems Main Street bring use believe  
think way make help people keep business street  
better shops parking love see area schools see  
look need survey town great Mt Airy well  
building something traffic housing downtown  
large community options also family want things  
many question will now going put much safe Main St  
property etc support growth new Please speed change provide  
development plans moved drive Mount Airy grow  
neighborhood become develop places lot county residents take know  
nice

In addition, the table below presents the results of a customized word search we performed on key words and phrases, noting the number of written comments containing each word or phrase.

<b>Results of Customized Word Search on Key Words and Phrases</b>	
<b>Key Word or Phrase</b>	<b>Number of Written Comments Containing This Word or Phrase</b>
Development	140
Housing	108
Affordable Housing	35
Residential	34
Businesses	123
Growth	88
Downtown	122
Blight	7
Bank / Old Bank Building	123
Community Center	20
Vacant	30
Main Street	87
Flat Iron	77
Harrison Leishear	24
Center Street	26
Traffic	170
Mayor	25
Town Council	19
Safety	39
Crime	46
Drugs	35
Police	87
Caboose / Train / Museum	40
Would Like	96
Don't (as in Don't Like or Don't Do)	168
Lack Of	21
Love (as in We Love or Would Love to See)	139

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Task Force recommendations are provided below and are guided by the following principles: (1) Town of Mount Airy citizens are the most important stakeholders in shaping the future of our community; and (2) transparency of process and results.

***The Task Force makes the following recommendations on opportunities for stakeholder outreach to communicate, receive feedback, and foster Town action on Survey results.***

This Survey Report should be made publicly available to the citizens of Mount Airy. Posting the Report on the Town Web Site can accomplish this. A brochure, “tri-fold,” or other brief hard copy format that presents a summary of Survey results and how to learn more/provide feedback should be developed and made available to the public. As an example, the Town distributed a large laminated card providing key information on COVID-19 to the citizens of Mount Airy at the peak of the pandemic in Spring 2020. A similar approach could be taken here.

Survey results should be presented to Town officials in settings open to the public. This includes presentations to the Town Council and associated Town Commissions as appropriate. Information exchanges with stakeholder and community groups should also be considered where there is interest.

***The Task Force makes the following recommendations on opportunities for gaining further insights on Survey results.***

The Task Force recommends that additional analysis be performed to go beyond the summary results and initial analysis presented in this the Summary Report. This can be done utilizing the Survey Monkey software and Excel database of Survey results. Benefits realized through application of additional analytical lenses would include a deeper understanding of all written comments and results by location and other demographic information, and a series of tailored thematic or topic-specific profiles or dashboards (e.g., growth and development; safety). Using safety as an example, a safety dashboard would present focused findings on the analysis of all safety-specific survey questions and associated written comments, and associated demographic information in a holistic manner.

The Town should take advantage of the user license it has purchased for the Survey Monkey software that was applied in compiling the Survey results. Survey Monkey could be used to conduct future surveys online on topics that arise in the coming year. The 2020 Community Survey should be used as the template for future Mount Airy growth and development surveys. Doing so would provide efficiencies in effort and cost, and allow for a direct comparison to 2020 Survey results. Additionally, future surveys should be conducted primarily online employing Survey Monkey or an equivalent online software tool.

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## **APPENDICES**

Appendix A presents all written comments associated with Survey respondents who indicated for Q23 that the Town of Mount Airy is going in the *Wrong Direction*.

Appendix B presents all written comments associated with Survey respondents who indicated for Q23 that the Town of Mount Airy is going in the *Right Direction*.

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## Appendix A

<p style="text-align: center;">Survey Respondent Written Comments Associated With Those Who Selected <i>Wrong Direction</i> to Question 23:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“In summary, would you say the Town of Mount Airy is headed in the right direction or the wrong direction? Select the choice that best represents your opinion.”</p>	
Comment Number	Written Comments

1	Thanks for including Mt Airy resident’s opinions in your decision inquiry. The town is in need of a MAJOR FACELIFT starting with revitalization for Main St. It has so much historic charm that is wasted with low volume shops and places that NOBODY looks forward to visiting. Needs IMO: 1. Coffee shop 2. Restaurants to compete with the very mediocre businesses currently on Main St 3, Exercise studio/cycle etc 4. Additional vendors and permanent placement of Mt Airy Commons 5. Expand run/bike paths around the town to provide healthy living 6. Recycling and compost for all.
2	Greed and the desire to obtain wealth through over expansion and urbanization has proven to increase crime, traffic, domestic violence and related acts of violence, and inviting section 8 as well as affordable housing communities will only devalue our historic town as a whole.
3	People live and have moved here for its small town way of life. To expand it with more commercial/industrial businesses thus bringing more and more traffic - and it snowballs from there. Our tax money can't support more development so taxes will go up. Don't turn this into another Frederick, Germantown, and all other last small towns in MD. More traffic, more roads, another grocery store, liquor store, nail salon, and fast food. Geez - leave it alone.
4	The caboose is a joke! Opening Center St - have the traffic survey people look at (do their survey) on Friday or Saturday - is already pitiful, opening Center St and closing Park Ave. is just plain stupid! The police dept cost more than the State police & we do not have coverage 3 a.m. - 7 a.m. That is ridiculous. The sign ordinances are too strict, but look at all the signs the town has put out for the survey - just crazy! If someone were to put out all the signs for a business the sign police would take them down. Double standard does not make people happy. Why would we not want to refurbish the Flat Iron building? It is the most iconic/historic building in Mt. Airy, much more so than the train station and its funny caboose - (waste of money). All the recent decisions - police, opening Center street, closing Park Ave to make one-way, tearing down the Flat Iron

	building are a lack of respect for the opinion of town residences. Barney is not qualified to do his job, get rid of him!
5	Focus on existing downtown structures/buildings, no need to build more downtown.
6	Need more constructive recreational opportunities for young people. Need to fix sidewalks and remove mailboxes on Main St. It is crazy to prioritize all development in an area. Safe streets for pedestrians.
7	We need more business. Children need more things to keep them from getting into trouble.
8	I voted for slow/no growth. We do not need to overbuild. The charm of Mt. Airy is the small town. We do not want to be Urbana, New Market, etc. Please keep open spaces.
9	Mt Airy is in need of shops/entertainment/restaurants, rather than additional residential properties. It's embarrassing to have roadway signs posted asking motorists to come visit our antique shops & historic downtown, w/o such establishments/or very few. I go to Sykesville & Ellicott city if I want to enjoy small town charm, because it's not here.
10	Need to develop the lake for recreation of all types. Tear down Flat Iron to open up Main St. Develop more ball fields and sports fields like other towns and more off carnival grounds, which we are way behind on this as compared to other towns. The town is not doing their part for sport facilities.
11	I think that before new housing/shopping centers are built, old, unused buildings should be utilized first, but I overall don't support any additional construction or re-zoning. I also don't think any additional roads need to be made, because that just means more stoplights. Stoplights have turned my 5 min drive across MTA to 10 mins. Also, don't take the field please. Turn Pizza Hut into Chic-Fil-A please. Make more Hiking Trails in Woods! And make a new skate park.
12	Looking at making too much like an urban city especially with the Beck property which isn't even mentioned. Losing small town charm!
13	Zoning remains an issue. Adequate public facilities, including water appear to be minimally considered when town is faced with zoning push back. The amount of sunken investment should not matter... scarcity of water, adequate sewage and other services are expensive to resolve. Any developer should invest the dollars up front (the entire cost of the improvements), instead of citizens footing the bill through taxes after the developer recoups investment and moves on to the next project.
14	Why did the town not maintain the Flat Iron building over the past 60+ years? At one time this town pamphlet showed the Flat Iron building as the Mt Airy attraction on that document. What happened to the survey that was done a few years ago when the building was opened to the public? My guess is that the

	majority wanted this building saved, but the mayor did not like that response. Who's current thoughts are to annex? The mayors? The police dept budget is \$1.5 million; I thought it was going to be less than the St police - another line of B.S. by the mayor - and still not 24/7 coverage. 3 AM - 7 AM is a good time to be a criminal in Mt Airy.
15	For starters, yes on 27 connections. But EVERY YEAR without fail I end up locked in my neighborhood compliments of Main St being shut down. My employer doesn't care about your timing, when my workday runs late; I do NOT appreciate being "locked out" due to a parade. Also, the next time an "out of towners" parks in the way of my driveway (there is little maneuver room) I will have them towed. An iota of interest in making sure the actual town citizens aren't feeling like the town doesn't give a damn would change a lot of perception. I'm not the only neighbor that feels this way. Every time there's a parade, we're stuck out or in. Extending Oak St to the church parking lot would be an immense help. Also, a Chic-fil-A at Pizza Hut? Why would you toss a high traffic fast food joint at one of the worst intersections in town? I'd recommend not allowing left turns onto Rt 27N anymore. Have those cars directed the other way. It would improve safety 10 fold. Lastly, only one crosswalk downtown works, the one with the lights. At least once a week, even going the speed limit or less I slam on my brakes to avoid a jaywalker or someone who doesn't even check the crosswalk before gallivanting into traffic. Cars parked do NOT help the sight line and half of those cars are out in the lane anyways. Absolutely horrible planning. You could easily make pharmacy/caboose parking handicapped only and let the lazy people walk from the upper lot.
16	Changing downtown's street parking. It is entirely too dangerous as it stands, and with LED Headlight growing, I am finding myself avoiding downtown more and more.
17	Main Street needs some simple cosmetics to feel more inviting and welcoming. Need more parking and needs to regulate the outrageous rent for small businesses. That's why we can't keep small businesses downtown.
18	Accountability! Until our elected officials quit lying to the public it seems to be more like the white house in DC (you must put your cards on the table for the citizens to see, where the funds and where are they used. For example: parks; surveys; festivals; runs; galas; 501c3 applications; and permits.
19	We need to save the flat iron building with repairs. Please do not let this historic building go away. Everyone moved here for small town historic feel. If you remove it you will take away over 100 years of our history. How will we get our history back? There is no way history is history you cannot change it or get it back. This should be put on the next election ballot and have the people of Mt Airy decided. Its there tax dollars and historical district. This building belongs to the people not some out of town firms telling us what to do.
20	Still concerned about the lack of diversity in this county. The school system is fantastic; I just wish I had gotten more of an appreciation for other cultures. I

	would like to see the old bank on Main St converted into something useful, possibly a place for performing arts.
21	With proposed development of North Main Street and now annexation of the farmland just off 27, I am concerned about traffic issues that this will cause on 27 and North Main Street. Speeding is a problem in both areas as well. Traffic from Watersville and 27 intersection down to Twin Arch Rd and 27 is already problematic during rush hour. Route 27 would probably be better widened in that area and maybe a bit beyond 808 and 27, especially if development should occur. I'm ok with the farmland staying as is if at all possible, but if it must be developed I think the town and its citizens should have a say in what happens. I also think traffic calming humps around the schools and North Main Street past the firehouse would help with speeding issues there. There is plenty of unused space currently in town that should be utilized before new development.
22	Downtown zone is under-developed and under-utilized. It seems as though incumbent businesses do not welcome growth. And, the town council is very slow to take action. We need restaurants and bars downtown! And retail that will draw foot traffic. We need new ideas and new thinking. Mt. Airy government doesn't seem open to new ideas or change, and this is hurting the town's ability to grow. PS. We need more crosswalks on Main Street. We are expected to collect our mail in the cluster mailboxes but there is no safe place to cross!
23	What were the results from the prior walk-thru of the Flat Iron building? My guess is the results were not what the mayor wanted to see and the results got "misplaced." Keep the Flat Iron building. If you had done the maintenance on the building in the past it would not be in the condition that it is, as was discussed many times in the past. If citizens discuss things this council and mayor just do what they want to do regardless of citizens input - terrible! Hire a certified engineer, as Barney is worthless & does not have an idea about anything! Town residents - Ha! Ha! \$1 million for State Police vs. \$1.5 million for MA town police and no service from 2am - 7am.
24	There is a lot of blight in Mt Airy downtown and on Ridgeville Blvd. Blight = vandalism. Mt Airy needs smart growth - not duplication of things we already have (e.g. liquor stores, fast food, large chain stores, empty parking lots, vacant storefronts). Clean up downtown. Make WRF plumbing clean up that parking lot across from their store. Clean up the bank building. Turn it into a restaurant or brewery. We do not need parking. Set deadlines for decisions and make them stick. I've lived here for 5 years and the town council is still dragging their feet on the same decisions. There is very little action or decision-making. Add traffic calming on Main Street. You need to start thinking about growth in a way to keep young people and families not just people that are dying off. Build your future tax base. You can grow in the right way and still preserve Mt Airy as a small town. I want to stay here, but it feels like the town is on a downward trajectory.
25	Develop the rail yard: popup shops, design as one-story old time shops in a

	horseshoe shape. Keep the center area open for farmer's market, festivals, etc. Do not add ANY more/new housing developments! Town cannot support traffic, roads, school, and water. [A drawing of an area that is horseshoe shape with buildings around the side. It is shown to be on Main street.]
26	No more banks in town! Parking in town is terrible. 27 - Awful – speed.
27	Please address the traffic at 27 -Ridge and shopping center. There should be NO RIGHT TURN on red at that location. It is very dangerous & difficult to get out of the Safeway shopping area. The town is trying to get too big. It has changed drastically the 20 years we have lived here. We need to keep the small town feel; There are a lot of larger towns around for those who want that atmosphere.
28	Crime - drugs are escalating within the town.
29	Traffic is a real issue in Mt Airy. Parking is horrible. You raise our taxes to cover the growth. Then you complain about traffic speed.
30	One survey per household would have sufficed. It was a waste to send this to my children who are away at college.
31	Trying too much to be like Howard/Montgomery County towns. Also, not happy with closed door hearings and meetings. All hearings and meetings should be public. Need new leadership on council. MAPD "Community Service" unit unnecessary and should be reassigned.
32	Do not develop the Leishear Harrison property.
33	Mount Airy is a small town that I have been in for 35 years. I believe the growth of Mount Airy has increased too much in the residential development side of things. I know the location of the town makes it attractive to people who like the small town charm, but they also don't like certain things and want to change things that will get rid of that rural living. I strongly disagree with apartments and low income/affordable housing. Especially in the cold storage property. This and other affordable housing draws a different crowd creating more problems such as drugs, theft, and other undesirable activities. I think enough of these problems exist being so close to 70. It seems as if the officials of Mount Airy want to turn Mount Airy into Frederick or Westminster, which is not the direction it needs to go. Keep Mount Airy rural and a somewhat small town. I think they have enough to handle with what is already here without causing overcrowding, especially in our 3 schools.
34	Need to focus on economic growth and business in Mt. Airy. As more families move here we need better access to shopping/stores/etc. Having to travel 20 min. to do these tasks is a major turn off to the city. Need more upscale shopping in town to attract larger businesses and increase home values.
35	Replace town council! Including the Mayor!
36	Traffic on 27 needs to be addressed, especially along the stretch between

	Watersville and Twin Arch (too much speeding).
37	Sadly, the little town of 20 years ago is growing. With that has come crime, drugs and negative aspect of diverse communities, crime, graffiti, banger music. If left unchecked we will have to move again sadly. Germantown was a nice little town in 1988. By 2000 helicopters flying over looking for people, windows broken twice during sale, gangs, priest murdered, fire set by child in backyard left unattended by mom with no \$, and the list goes on, It is coming here if you let it but I hope not.
38	The town is stuck between 2 different types of citizens - the ones who don't want any change - and those of us who would like to see the area evolve & become modern. Quite frankly - this town is so slow and boring, I'm dying to move closer to DC to raise my son in an area with diverse culture, restaurants, shops & international schools Lastly - the use of dirt bikes & ATV's in our neighborhood is out of control. If it is a nice day or a day when schools are closed, we cannot watch TV or get our baby to sleep. We have called & complained numerous times and there has been no improvement. It has only gotten worse. It is my understanding these types of vehicles are not allowed to be ridden in the town limits.
39	Seems to be an awful lot of scandals in the Police Dept. Too much \$\$ spent to be having that kind of behavior (K9 scandals, Chief cheating on wife, etc.)
40	We moved here 30 years ago because it was a small town. It no longer is. Mt Airy is becoming an extension of Frederick. Why does the town have to grow? It is not as pleasant as it was. I do not like what this town has become. Were it like this 30 years ago, we would not have moved here at all.
41	Not happy with how tax money is spent (train). Wasteful of money. Can't develop (water a problem) roads. Not happy with Mayor (all about power) not the people. Leave Mt Airy a small town. Not happy with Larry. Use existing buildings.
42	There seems to be a lot of talk but no action. We need to grow our commercial tax base. The mayor and council repeatedly support policy that kills interest in investing in the town. The citizens were lied to about the police force. The cost has far exceeded what mayor and council told citizens, further, we seem to have public relations police officers, playing around and wearing costumes rather than serious officers concerned with community and public safety.
43	1) The information provided as background in this survey is skewed 2) We are very concerned the direction of this town is not sustainable long term without seriously raising taxes. Which we oppose. Elected officials 'talk' about economic development but enact policies that do not promote or encourage sustainable economic development. Elected officials either don't really support economic development or don't understand what it takes for serious economic development, which will balance the tax base. Chick-Fil-A, while nice, is not an economic development strategy. We need workforce housing options.

44	I do NOT Feel this will do anything , you are going to do what you want, the town is over developed and getting worse. This town will be ruined just like New Market and Urbana if you don't stop developing. NO MORE GROWTH NO MORE GROWTH NO MORE DEVELOPMENT.
45	Do not believe we needed a police dept. and it should be returned to the state police. The tax dollars spent and the future tax dollars needed could have been used in a better place.
46	It seems a lot of money is spent on things that don't impact the lives of the people, i.e. Flat Iron Bldg, cover for the caboose, vacant buildings. None of these have any real return to the residents.
47	I think any thoughts of closing Park Ave either in full or just one lane is ridiculous! I see every move the town makes to downtown ends up costing us parking, not adding parking! Point in motions is the 11 spaces to be removed for a turn lane on Center St downtown. Thanks for the survey! It's better than paying the big money the council has allowed to get strangers to draw up plans being directed by the mayor who is not listening to anybody.
48	Downtown is a ghost town, currently Mayor and his appointees have shown time and again they are not interested in helping business or developers do projects to revive downtown or approve projects that will bring new businesses and shopping to town as well as new housing. How long have they put roadblocks in the way to maintain status quo.
49	I am a 3rd generation resident of Mount Airy and have always enjoyed being here. I love the small-town atmosphere. I love the history of the town and the historic structures. To say this, I believe the town is moving in the wrong direction when it comes to growth. We are surrounded with towns that have commercial buildings and shopping; we do not need more of that here! The streets we have struggle to handle the volume of traffic that we currently have and the addition of more housing + businesses will make it much worse. Extending center street is an absolute mistake along with the thought of closing Park Ave. You all have the chance to make or break this small town atmosphere and it's scary to see some of the ideas thrown out there. We don't need to build more houses or industry; we need to fix up what we have!
50	MXD is not an applicable ordinance for Mt Airy and growing. The K2A company this ordinance will mean changing downtown Mt Airy i.e. killing the downtown.
51	The town is an ideal size as it is and future growth will only increase traffic and crime and stress an already over-taxed infrastructure. We moved to the town because of the quiet town, low traffic, historic atmosphere, & good schools. We commute for work but the benefits of living in Mt. Airy as it is outweighs the significant distance from work.
52	I believe the town is perfect the way it is. We live here to be in the country. We would like to continue living in a quiet suburb of Frederick and Baltimore. MD27 does not need additional traffic for commercial, chain restaurants, and hotels.

	We moved here for the charm of a historic town that is a great place to raise kids and potentially retire long down the road.
53	Leave the town as it is. Leave it a small town. This does not need to become Montgomery County!
54	While it's nice to expand, it's also nice to keep the small town feel similar to Damascus. I would hate to see the town end up like a smaller version of Montgomery County.
55	Keep Mt Airy a rural setting. No more development. No more Strip malls Keep Park Ave open.
56	Keep Mt Airy Rural setting - small town living, no more development- no strip mall- no housing - too many as it is, also do not want Park Ave closed. Bring Mt Airy days back to the town main street.
57	I think that closing off Park Avenue would be a disastrous mistake and I hope it would be irreversible. I have lived on Park Ave for 50 years and witness how much it is used. There is not a better route for emergency services to get to Wildwood or Lorien. The alternative route, which the hired planners came up with, is ridiculous. We don't need a plaza put there. I don't think it will be used enough to justify it. I suggest that the town buy and raze the old bank building and put in parking and maybe, if downtown activity increases and is profitable to the town, put up a parking garage there. RE putting Center St through to RT 27; how is all that traffic going to dump out into Downtown Main Street? I see large tractor-trailer coming from Rt 27 into Park Ave. How could they make a turn from Center St onto Main? I have nostalgic mental attachment to the Flat Iron Building.
58	Too much focus on downtown growth and adding parking spaces. Need to focus on growing the downtown area with what currently exists. The old bank building is becoming an eyesore.
59	I'm very concerned about all the additional development plans I'm hearing about. I think the town has already gone too far with development and traffic is getting to be a nightmare. I support limited additional stores in existing areas like Main Street to relieve some of the traffic congestion, but I'm concerned by plans to add more houses and stores to land around Center Street once connected. What makes Mount Airy great is being a small rural community. If it becomes a sprawling city it will lose its value and it won't be worth living this far away from the major cities. Having lived here my whole life, it's sad to see it get to this point, but it seems no one is willing or able to stop it.
60	Worst survey ever - questions are geared to give predicted answers.
61	We do not need more housing. If that happens then we might run out of water, have more crime and drugs.
62	Misleading questions. Hopefully new leadership comes to town soon. Currently



	developers are priority not the citizens.
63	Do not let the town of Mt. Airy develop like some of our neighboring cities/towns. High-density housing (aka "affordable housing") brings more problems than the tax dollars are worth. Keep Mount Airy rural and a nice place to live.
64	Mt Airy should resist further development. I will gladly pay higher taxes to keep my town small.
65	More usable police presence in neighborhoods; advocate for more lighting in neighborhoods with city / county. I'm concerned about development (over-development) of Mount Airy. It is quite unsettling that the newest (2013-2015) homes built in the community of Sterling Glen were able to pass inspections. The homes have had NUMEROUS issues (flooding, faulty grading, cracked foundations, dangerous electrical work, insufficient plumbing just to name what I have personally experienced). How were these homes able to pass inspections? The poor quality of inspections protecting the community - rather than the businesses - leaves me feeling very concerned about the QUALITY of development in the future. It seems like we may be making shortsighted decisions and doing too much too quickly to do it right. Thank you for the traffic light coming to 27 + Main Street.
66	I think too many new homes are going in and nothing is being done for roads and traffic issues.
67	Why all the change? Mt Airy is the #1 town in MD and we've been looking to change it everywhere. Why? I understand the mayor and his friends have a vision for the town but it's not about what a select few want. Constant zoning changes and back door deals (hello blight "help") are only helping the town's coffers. I'd love to see a change in leadership where all voices are heard. Hoping more people in town wake up and see what is about to be lost. Rural community, small town charm and values - that's what people move to Mt Airy for. High-density housing and development on every available parcel of land is not. I know the town can't remain stagnant but smart, managed growth is necessary. The growth that is being discussed is neither smart or managed. Changes to the planning and zoning and commission leadership our needed as well. So many decisions are driven from this commission and half the members don't have a clue as to the impacts of the changes they recommend.
68	Take a look and research how other small towns with historic significance are being developed/rebuilt. Towns like Marietta, GA, St. Charles IL, Geneva, IL, Ellicott City, MD, Maple Lawn, MD, Frederick, MD, Charles, VA. There is so much potential for downtown Mt. Airy or Mt. Airy in general to be a destination to shop and dine. However, there is no economic development to fuel the growth, the opportunities, and increased tax revenues.
69	We moved to Mt Airy because of the slower pace of life and the family oriented atmosphere. We came because of the low traffic volume. The lack of huge box

	stores and associated congestion is a wonderful plus for the small town ambiance. Please try to keep us this way. We do not need to be another Frederick or Columbia in the future. Keep us simple... Thanks!
70	We paid to install the huge pedestrian cross walks w/ lights & the community still walks right out w/o using the button very unsafe!!
71	I think the town is been stuck and not going anywhere.
72	I am very concerned about traffic patterns between the South end and North end of town. The traffic light patterns on Route 27 make it difficult for traffic to flow (and not see significant backups), and the parking spots on the narrow area on Main Street (near Concetta's and George's Girls) cause major safety issues for cars and pedestrians. I feel this is a VERY important safety issue that needs to be addressed immediately. Also, it was difficult to answer some of these questions when items may not be applicable. A separate category to indicate as such is necessary in the future.
73	I do not want to see this town develop and more housing units. I lived in Montgomery County for a little of my life and its an overdeveloped traffic mess. People move to Mt. Airy specifically for the small town rural feel. Adding neighborhoods and more housing will make Mount Airy overdeveloped and the next Germantown (an absolute mess).
74	Most of the important questions are written in a leading manner that reduces the credibility of the survey and is quite disingenuous. There needs to be a focus on supplementing the recycling program as the current vendor is refusing to process material that is clearly recyclable. Recommend changing vendor to one who is actually concerned with the environmental impact of waste. Survey seems to be attempting to garner tacit approval for important zoning challenges. This survey should be electronic. There are free services available that can execute this survey and tabulate results with minimal human intervention. I will be sure to introduce myself to the MAPD officer who parks in the elementary school parking lot for a few hours early in the morning. That parking lot has never been safer.
75	A few points: 1. I'm afraid of the town council being told what to vote on and not thinking independently. Especially from outside friends. 2. The town should put their foot down and stop development, the water situation doesn't support this, and the roads don't support it. Remember we are not an island; we are in the middle of two big cities and major roadway. 3. Can we please put the police department on Live PD? I feel like as a resident that would be really entertaining. Thanks you to the town for what you do.
76	"Small town" has not been applicable for this town for years.
77	"Small Town" is a constant reference, but "Growth" is the term used most frequently.
78	Very little was done with the 2007 town survey as well as the survey and focus groups from 2011-12. Hope the town is prepared to take some action moving

	forward. Would like to have seen items on survey about: 1. Need/interest in community center; 2. Services and opportunities for youth. Would like to have seen a demographic question about age range so responses could be looked at based on age, teens, adults, and older adults. Town leadership currently does not believe that government provides a range of services to the community, build community and provide meaningful opportunities for its residents. Until that attitude changes, the town will remain as stagnant as it has been since the 2007 survey. * Indoor basketball courts are needed.
79	I feel some of the questions were too black or white. Many issues are in the grey area. I feel some questions were set up as what the council would want. The issue of property and the disposition of the Flat Iron building are not able to be judged by 1 or 2 questions. The council does a fairly good job but sometimes it appears too much personal opinion creeps into decisions. We have a great community but we need to be good stewards of the town, land, and people.
80	1) Get rid of the blighted buildings, for example: Flemmings, Flat Iron, Bank Building, etc. & all the other eyesores. 2) Add street lights where needed - Rising Ridge, Park Ridge, and Rt. 144 Prospect. In short, all the dark areas that makes driving at night difficult. 3) Have police officers drive through neighborhoods & show a presence. 4) Have police dept enforce town code violations & provide a report of the infractions & how they were handled, & provide a report at council monthly meetings. 5) Have our police available 24 hours a day. 6) Get a left turn arrow at Rt 70/S. Main St/Rt 27 - dangerous intersection. 7) Build a senior citizen housing complex/development on vacant land. 8) Address the issue of newspapers littering the streets, possibly clogging sewers, too. 9) No apartments at Ice Locker on Prospect. 10) Kudos to the town's maintenance dept. They do a wonderful job! 11) Limit the speed on Rt 27 20 35-40 mph. Too many accidents, too much traffic, & too built up. 50 mph is way too fast!
81	There is simply just not enough restaurants and shopping options in Mt. Airy to have a comprehensive shopping experience, without a Lowe's/Home Depot or a Target. We often find ourselves going to Fredrick. Most Millenials like myself moved here because of its almost equidistant relationship to DC, Fredrick, and Baltimore. But I would like Mt. Airy to have more restaurants and entertainment options so that we don't feel like we have to leave Mount Airy to eat at an interesting place.
82	Keep Mt Airy a small town. No more building. No affordable housing.
83	Vandalism and crime are getting worse. I have never actually seen a Mt Airy police officer. Little employment opportunity, particularly for educated workers. Not very walkable.
84	Small business office space + additional field availability is critical. Too slow in addressing these issues.
85	Mt Airy is stagnating. The town desperately needs to modernize/evolve and grow if it wants to appeal to new and existing families. All we hear is talk of this and

	that but no movement. Flat Iron bldg is an example as is Center St. Just make a decision and move forward. The optic you've created is that you care, but in reality I don't think you really do. You demonstrate just enough interest to placate the constituents but never make any progress. I'm curious how New Market can revitalize its entire Main Street in less time than we can even get one minor thing done. You have property owners on Main St that would rather sit on their buildings and watch them crumble then figure out a reasonable way to activate them. You spent needless money on revitalizing the train museum and caboose when that building could have been used for a small business. The town and council needs to get moving or else the rest of the world will continue to pass us bye.
86	Stop looking for new areas to develop. Deal with the abandoned buildings right here in downtown such as the Old Bank on the corner of Prospect & Main St. Improve downtown first. Show you know how to improve what you have first. No a caboose does not cut it.
87	The town needs to fill the vacant buildings with shops and stores, as vacant structures lead to squatters. There is a need for larger stores such as home depot and Chick-Fil-A. Money is spent in Frederick/ Ellicott City/ Sykesville to avoid higher prices in Mt Airy.
88	Get rid of Liberal ideas and go back to small town feel. Not used to Mt Airy Police Dept as income.
89	I understand that street and roads are not Mt Airy's concern, and run by the state. But coming off route 70 onto main street is a death trap and building a Chick-Fil-A or Wawa at that corner are very bad suggestions. Also, people speed up Main St past McDonalds and change lanes before they should. Coming off Main St is SCARY, NEED A TRAFFIC CIRCLE. Thank you for this survey. Keep our town SMALL!!
90	Would love to shop locally but am always driving a distance for purchases I need. Open the town to good, large merchandising stores!!!
91	Leave Mt Airy as is. Small Town. Doesn't need to be another Rockville. No new taxes. Trails to rails is a waste it will bring crime. Caboose is a joke a waste of money.
92	The only reason that I regret moving to Mt. Airy is that I'm forced to watch Baltimore stations on TV. Why? I have several friends who live in Frederick County and they all get Washington stations. Please fix this; it's enough to make me want to move. I live in Frederick County and my neighbors tell me that they used to be able to get Washington TV stations.
93	Do NOT approve the apartments or Center street. I'm in favor of allowing a business to go into the old cold storage. I'm against allowing apartments in there. All of us are against the apartments but I'm sure you'll approve the project. Mount Airy should purchase the property and NOT develop it. I don't understand why greedy developers are allowed to ruin our town. We want

	Mount Airy to stay the way it is. Why should we allow apartments so I can pay for services? Town houses are bad enough; the taxes we collect don't cover the costs to taxpayers. Please do not approve the apartments at Cold Storage. Please do not approve Center Street extension. Why would you approve that when the building at Momma Angelas is practically vacant and has been for years? No new development. Please do not approve of the convenience store near Pizza Hut.
94	Many members of the council want to add apartments, condos, and town homes. I feel like there is no thought towards people liking the small town charm.
95	I miss the small town feel of Mt Airy.
96	I have lived in Mt. Airy my entire life. When I was born my parents lived in the Village of Tall Oaks townhouses. When I was 3, we moved to the newly constructed single-family homes, Breezewood Ct. I am 28 years old & just got married. I would have loved more than anything to have been able to buy a home & start a family in the town I call home. The town my parents and grandparents call home. But there is absolutely nothing affordable in this town that isn't ancient & run down. I work for a local non-profit that deals with low-income housing. I understand the risks that people are afraid of when creating affordable housing. I'm not suggesting condos or apartments that would ruin the small town feel of Mt. Airy. But with the cost of homes here now, you're kind of screwing over the people who actually care about this town, and welcoming in all the rich people who commute to DC or Baltimore. I think it really sucks, because I love it here and would have loved to stay here. But as a first time homebuyer this town had nothing to offer which is really sad.
97	People move here for the small town atmosphere, the town is building and expanding to fast. Also Mt. Airy was recently ranked #1 in places to live in Maryland. We as a community are doing a fantastic job. I just hate seeing once great farm/wooded areas being developed. I love the small town atmosphere. I fear my family and I might move further West in the next few years sue to over development of the town.
98	Planning Commission - Spend too much time on signage instead of encouraging & supporting businesses. Center Street & ark Avenue - what is the real motivation to extend Center Street - developer's influence? Only create worse traffic problems. Park Avenue - Make one-way traffic - Are you out of your minds? Will not reduce traffic!!!! I live in Wildwood Park - would require me to drive further to get to Twin Arch shopping Center, etc. What about impact on emergency services, Lorien & Post Office - negative also. Flat Iron Bldg - Tear it down - just an old building that has little or no historical value. Build a parking garage on S. Main St. Thank you for doing the survey.
99	I believe I just wasted 20 mins.

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## Appendix B

<p style="text-align: center;">Survey Respondent Written Comments Associated With Those Who Selected <i>Right Direction</i> to Question 23:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“In summary, would you say the Town of Mount Airy is headed in the right direction or the wrong direction? Select the choice that best represents your opinion.”</p>	
Comment Number	Written Comments

1	I believe Mt. Airy has a wonderful family-driven community with a lot of town pride. I feel safe in Mt. Airy and love living here. I think we are really missing the opportunity to have a thriving downtown shopping/restaurant district. Main street should be busy with people all the time but due to lackluster shopping and dining scene it is not. My other concern is that we pay town taxes but technically our street (Chessie Ct) isn't "covered" by the town. We are forced to pay our HOA for snow removal since the town does not. Basically we are paying twice for a service that should be covered by the town. Lastly, I would love to see Mt Airy grow and develop but am worried about traffic regulation with that growth. Thank you for your time! Q 3 - "need more basketball gyms (inside) to accommodate all of the b-ball teams!"
2	Speed control is necessary to save lives.
3	- Continue to build affordable housing as able - some neighborhoods are starting to get too high - Continue adding more shops/restaurants to attract more tourists to the area
4	Give us a Sheetz!
5	Q3 historic character; small town; community pride; sense of safety; location; municipal services; quiet community; shopping - entertainment. Q3 Traffic.
6	Please keep Mt. Airy as a small town!
7	Regarding #22 - I would prefer to leave as is but sounds like that is a gamble. If county will take, then I prefer the town to take over. I live in Towns of Mt. Airy & I am disappointed with town's decision regarding our roads. I pay taxes yet our roads aren't covered. Really disappointing. Tear down old buildings and rebuild before breaking ground on new land! - Bring back a skate park but make it concrete so less maintenance like Sykesville. – July 3rd fireworks is the best night in Mt. Airy!!!
8	#6 - None please. I love the idea I have heard of the new playground at Watkins. I hate the idea of Chick fil A moving in to Pizza Hut area. Too much traffic! Keep Mt.

	Airy small!
9	First I would like to express my thanks and gratitude for everyone that serves this town. Personally I would love to see a stronger Mainstreet with independent shops and an additional restaurant, a smaller version of Frederick. I was so sad to see Retro Metro move out, but LOVE Mt Airy Commons. I would also like to make sure that any additional housing developments are well thought-out with the right mix of OPEN SPACE, retail, entertainment, and traffic taken into account.
10	Don't let the new developments take away our small town community. Keep our farms and the natural open spaces Mt Airy has. PS 10/10 ya'll should replace the Pizza Hut with Chikfila
11	We need a local package drop off location since packages are getting stolen from our door steps
12	We love the civic pride and organizations that make this a wonderful town. We came here for the slower pace and distance from a more sub-urban lifestyle and that includes Retailers. We love our Main St and the small businesses Mt Airy supports. Growing up without a police force was commentary on the kind of neighbors we have here. Now, with our police dept, we've noticed a drop in any potential crimes or disturbances, so that's a good thing. However; we'd like to see more patrols or presence like the days of walking the beats, where it's easier to know and be known in the communities and schools and even shopping districts. Most importantly, and we think we speak for many of our citizens, is that we (Mt Airy) not become an Eldersburg or Westminster. We are here because we want to be away from hustle and bustle. We do not want rapid growth or over-populating!! Keep Mt Airy a special place!! Thanks for all your doing.
13	Living in Twin Arch I am worried about traffic from the new housing development.
14	I live in the Twin Arch community of townhomes and pay the same amount of taxes as other people in Mount Airy. HOWEVER, our community must pay for its own snow removal through our HOA fees which is not fair and needs to be changed.
15	Lower city tax
16	Overall I feel like the town is great. I would love to see more sit-down casual restaurants (similar to Bolder or Vintage). A concern I have with traffic revolves around the fairgrounds when large events are at the fairgrounds. The traffic is unbelievable. There is a huge need for another outlet from the grounds NOT onto Twin Arch Road.
17	#6 - Not fast food! I would love to see more casual dining options in Mount Airy. More walking/biking trails would be nice.
18	I made a lot of comments throughout - In summary +Healthy Foods +Nice bars - not dirty. I won't set foot in Memories, Upper Deck. Yuck Yuck Yuck +Restaurants (but not fast food) ***A traffic light really needs to be added for exiting Home Goods shopping center - impossible to turn left out of. Or a back road to more easily access Twin Arch



	(and future Brittany Manor)**** Suggestions - Consider holding "town meetings" via conference call w/ platform such as Zoom. Allows a few hundred ppl to join. You'd probably get a larger turn out. *We need mor Uber drivers in the area. More food delivery. I love our safe quiet little town but it's boring. There are options for kids but nothing for 30 yr olds w/o kids. My husband & I have to go to Frederick to get a good meal. There is just so few options here. You can only go to Mt. Airy Tavern, BrickRidge & Laurie so many times. Need more options. The winery is fun but only a few months out of the year because of the weather.
19	The town seems focused on "growth" as a way of moving forward. I would prefer the town focus on enhancing our community without bringing additional stores, development, traffic, etc. Mt Airy is the BEST place to live right now. The addition of new residential neighborhoods and businesses makes me nervous. Please don't over-develop our small town. We currently have a great balance of quiet community and close conveniences such as grocery stores, Walmart, restaurants etc. Adding any more of these conveniences will take away from our quiet community. Please focus on building more of a sense of community. Town events, recreational facilities, etc. and maintaining all the wonderful things that we have now. Thank you for considering our thoughts!
20	The town needs a community center and sports complex in order to better serve our children to support their interests right here in Mt. Airy!
21	There is not enough for young people (<21) to do. Not all kids want to be in sports and that is the primary rec option. I'm not in favor of additional building/losing greens or farmland. Unless an overhaul of roads is performed prior, "growing pains" aren't worth losing the charm of the area to excessive growth. I don't care about "affordable housing" AT ALL. It would be nice if there was more for adult entertainment that did not involve alcohol. Not sure what you're supposed to do about that but I'll mention it. I appreciate the effort you've been making to be accessible.
22	Being on the east side of Rt 27, I would like to see more options for connecting us to the amenities of main street. Mount Airy is not very walk-able, crossing Rt 27 on foot can be quite scary with the rate of speed cars are often traveling. I'd also love to see some options for our teens for places to hang out. There really isn't much for them to do around town.
23	I would like to see some type of teenage community hang out or resource that our young people can take advantage of.
24	For the Flat Iron Building - a monument and park could be combined. Why were there no questions regarding the fact that we have our elementary school split into two buildings? Mount Airy ES needs to be addressed. I love the amount of parks we have and now well maintained they are. We really need things for pre-teen to teenage range too! I know there are very critical people in this town, and they probably have their heart in the right place but I think you all are doing a fantastic job otherwise. Only thing I've been displeased with is that the roads inside Twin Arch

	Crossing need to be supported by the town. We already pay town taxes.
25	We love our town!
26	First, the town wouldn't take over the roads in my community. So I'm paying taxes to the town for snow removal but not getting it, so I have to pay the HOA expensive fees for snow removal. Now the town is being slow to act on parking in front of Center Stage dance studio. No solution will please everyone but something urgently needs to be done to protect the lives and property of the studios patrons and our neighborhood. Mount Airy has the opportunity to attract longer term, younger residents if it allows affordable housing, commercial development, and a police force focused on partnering with the community and not policing aggressively frivolous offenses. (MAPD is on a great start to this end) This would also bring more appreciation to the historic areas of this town. Threats to Mt Airy include the council's slow action, aggressive policing in future affordable housing areas, and chain store/restaurants taking over the small business personal feeling commercial areas. Commercial development should focus on small business
27	I would really like a pathway to connect Twin Arch Townhomes, the new Bethany Manor development, and Nottingham so children and families can utilize walking trails. I would be a huge safety increase if there was a safe way to cross 27 to get to Rails to Trails and downtown from your neighborhoods. Crossing 27 is very dangerous! A walking bridge over the highway would increase foot traffic around town and would be lovely!
28	We moved here to get out of Montgomery County. Don't build it up. Don't add apartments. Don't add bus service or Mt Airy wouldn't be Mt Airy anymore!!
29	1. Trash trucks speed way too much in our neighborhood on Twin Arch. I have a nest camera and watch it every week. I have emailed video to the town police and to the trash company Nothing has changed I live on Dullman where the worker died. 2. Police need to keep ticketing in the neighborhood and utilizing the speed signs, it helps
30	We constantly travel to Frederick to shop and eat. They are getting so much of our money that could go to Mt Airy if you had these businesses here instead such as Target, Wegmans, Panera, Chic Fil a, a steak or seafood restaurant. you really need a Red-light camera where Burger King is - so many cars fly through the red light there on 27! I risk my family and my life often at this light! I've complained about this before. Thank you!
31	No low income housing. The term affordable housing sounds like low income which may bring crime and other unneeded attention
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33	Suggest engaging someone who creates proper surveys. Many questions are not applicable or unsure with no way to indicate that.
34	Q. 5: Not bordering neighborhoods Q. 15: We border a 24 hr towing service with all

	the noise and diesel fumes that go with it. How would you like it? Q. 16: Our street is constantly dirty from trucks Q. 24: We have too much traffic now! As a resident of Mt Airy for over 33 years, I have seen this sleepy little town grow, and become a beautiful place to live and raise my family. We appreciate the monumental task of trying to keep everyone included and happy. On a side note: I believe that whenever an established neighborhood has an industrial business, especially a 24/7 move in right next to the personal property, there must be a barrier of some kind installed before the business can open or operate to mitigate the impact to the neighborhood. Also, a business like this should NEVER be allowed next to a neighborhood. Quality of life suffers.
35	#11 - lack of response when I have reported drug areas in my neighborhood #12 more frequent patrolling of known drug areas Flat Iron bldg. - option c but include a monument H-L Property - include a rec center on the 80 acres of park land. I was promised sidewalk improvements both in my neighborhood (Conestoga Heights) and to get me to Main Street by 2 different council members - nothing has happened as promised. I have reported drug use areas (common) around my neighborhood (the cul-de-sac/bulb at the end of E. Ridgeville Blvd and down by the railroad tracks) and no additional policing has happened.
36	Patrol known drug areas 21 b) but include a monument 22 a) include rec ctr on 80 acre park space. Better neighborhood sidewalks and sidewalks leading into downtown better monitoring of known drug areas
37	Q. 4: "No more building or it won't be a small town!" Q. 5: "not near neighborhoods" Q. 16: yes! I have a 24 hr. diesel fumes company in my back yard! How would you like to smell exhaust while relaxing in your backyard! Comments: I have loved living in Mt Airy. We raised great kids here. I always thought this would be my 1st and last house but because of the company behind us I'm afraid we will be moving. I hate it and I want to stay here, but unless things change it's way too much stress smelling Diesel fumes. I really really wish something could be done.
38	We need to limit housing growth.
39	Minimize residential growth. Still remember the watershed problems with Challedon.
40	Consider adding red-light cameras at the intersections of Rt 27/Ridgeville Blvd and Rt 27/Main Street. I see multiple instances of cars running red lights every week, especially with vehicles exiting at 70 from Baltimore and turning left onto Rt 27. Consider adding lighting at the Twin Arch bridge for better visibility. Please continue to add new homes on Carroll County side, especially in the mid \$400 - low \$500s. For years we have been looking to move to a larger home without changing schools, and feel options are quite limited at this price point. Continue to support small business growth. Love the idea of Mt Airy Commons!
41	Need more ball fields (All Types), and a town run rec center. This center could also house the police dept. Tear down the flat iron building, it is an eye sore and fix the intersection. I'm shocked that no one has been hit in the crosswalk. Connect the Center St to 27 and Main already! Absolutely no to the proposed town house/condo

	dev. Annex Harrison/Leishear! Quit being so tight with town money! I love Mount Airy!
42	I feel the town should take into consideration businesses being allowed to move into neighborhoods. Our property is adjacent to Geyers Towing. We now hear loud trucks, dump trucks on a regular basis unloading large rocks and dirt. Numerous trees were removed, which removed our sound barrier. We were told trees would be planted two years ago to help with the noise level and nothing has been done. We feel we live next to a junk yard, depreciating our quality of life and our property value.
43	Thanks for asking for input!
44	1. Sidewalks on all of East Ridgeville Blvd (a town road) would be nice along with correct drainage. 2. Mt Airy is nice because there is no public transportation. 3. East Ridgeville Blvd has greatly improved with drug violations. 4. Slow response by 911 wish the drunk driver we reported that turned into a hit and run on 27 did not get away. 5. Wish Mt Airy being in 4 Counties when calling 911 and you have to ask for Mt Airy Police it still takes forever to be transferred and get assistance. 6. I finally got my sidewalk after being here 20 years
45	Main Street photo camera to fast: speed bumps? Note: older resident left by themselves (not safe)
46	Police - more community outreach through schools. Town - more recognition of Fred. Co residents/schools. The town is feeling congested/cramped. Traffic and parking in town and in many commercial areas are difficult to navigate. (D.D/Mt Airy Inn) (PNC) (Safeway to exit to Rt 27) Parking along Main Street should be eliminated and only in lots. (w/ a few spots for handicap only) Some older businesses are empty. How can those locations be utilized / re-structured to entice new business? (Flemmings, Lucy's) Hair salon by WRF
47	#11 - They spend all day at Walmart. Would like to see large homes on large lots built in the town.
48	Speeding cars on E Ridgeville Blvd has been a major issue. About 1-2 years ago a flashing 25mph speed limit sign was installed BUT has played little effect on those speeding on the road. The amount of trucking traffic from the company down the road creates a very large volume of noise each day as well. Some of them tend to speed by daily as well, speeds at which we can tell just by hearing them pass.
49	I think too much \$ is being spent on the police dept. The officers are not very friendly.
50	I understand that it's important to bring business into town, but I don't want that to cause the town to become too crowded or overpopulated. I've lived in a few towns that were built up over time and those towns got worse. I can see my family living in Mt Airy for a long time and we really enjoy the small town feel and the handful of important amenities stores and parks. I think if you add too much housing, businesses and retail stores, then that would bring more traffic, crime, and conflict to the town. I like coming home from work near DC and feeling relaxed and safe in Mt Airy. Thanks

	for the survey.
51	Friendly Acres has a few houses that deal drugs. Pls contact XXXXXX for house numbers. Also Trash & Recycling trucks leave trash all over our neighborhood, they don't care. I have called several times to complain.
52	I am very against police intervention re: drugs. I am pro community interventions, however. And only opioid, not the manufactured marijuana "red scare" Flat Iron - So long as there are safeguards to prevent it becoming like the bank building on Main St, dilapidated, and priced out of reach of many entrepreneurs, seemingly. Sustainability is important to me - I would love to see community garden or community composting.
53	We need more businesses in Mt Airy for jobs. People like to be able to live and work in the same town, there just is not much opportunity for decent paying jobs. Bring in hotel, more dealerships, etc...
54	I have live in Mt Airy since 2000, originally Summit Ridge while married, now Mt Airy Apartments. The maintenance of this complex is totally unsatisfactory
55	" Eye soars" in the town are unaddressed too long the Bank Building on Main and Prospect and Bach ? is completely unacceptable to remain as is - significantly ugly. The Flemings Furniture building at Ridgeville Blvd is similarly ugly. I believe the town should push the county to increase the professional presence for emergency services (EMS and fire) to take slack off dwindling volunteerism (Needs 5 or more FF/EMS providers round the clock). Note I think the town employees and councils and task forces as well as commissions are hardworking and represent our best contributors. The mayor is as dedicated as any mayor I have heard of like-sized town.
56	The Apt complex off of Hill St is a bad idea. Where else can you find an apt complex in the middle of a historic area full of homes 100 years old. I have never seen it anywhere. The town just sees the money they can tax and don't care about the look of the area or the people living here. They keep changing the rules to allow them to build here even after all the people here let you know how much we disapprove of it.
57	12 Post Child molesters where they live, I would like to see the old bank building be developed into shops. I'd like the area at Hill St / Prospect be developed preferably into a park, ice cream, entertainment family area NOT apartments ( promotes crime and traffic) * Folk are trying to build large development into apartments and then not caring for the upkeep of them. * Our police have helped thank you. Problem with rezoning issue * If using existing funds and not increasing taxes for connection of Center St. * Flat Iron Building, I would like to save if possible like the caboose its Ionic
58	I would love to see all the overhead wires on Main St buried. They are horrible eye sore. Another eyesore is the abandoned building on the corner of Main St and Prospect Rd.
59	One major concern I have is the increasing amount of noise from the trucks. People drive by my house roaring their engines and it wakes me up because I'm a light sleeper and I want something done about that possibly. Another thing is the old train station. The place is torn down and I believe it should be used for commercial

	buildings.
60	Of course living on Hill Street, we are concerned about what will happen to the cold storage property. Traffic is the major concern and we would not want Hill St. enlarged at all. We are definitely against condos or apartments there. We have tried to follow along with the meetings, but often wording etc. is hard to understand. We appreciate what's been done and it looks like they are moving in a good direction but still unclear as to where things really stand and what other options are really viable. (We were not able to attend the special meetings due to conflicts, but have been following through neighbors).
61	I hope the demand is there for additional ballfields to hopefully be developed on the Leishear property. Is there still a demand for a skateboard park? Occasionally there are still roller hockey skaters on the courts at Prospect Park. Has pickleball grown enough yet to add courts, such as at Leishear Park? That should have been listed with Basketball and Tennis Courts. Recycling should also occur at the VFW, American Legion, and Firemen's Carnival grounds, and activities building during the various organizations and rental events. Do the churches recycle? Events held there should have recycling included. There is nothing I dislike about living in Mt Airy. What conditions would a private developer be under for developing the Flat Iron Building? Would that include saving it?
62	Still waiting on final decision on cold storage property. One comment concerning the water/sewer bill, the due date can change by several days from month to month, which can catch you off guard and all of a sudden your payment is due. Please modify the system so that the bill is due on the same date each month it's due.
63	I vote yes for the construction of a Chick-Fil-A!
64	The town needs to be open in Fred Cty side of town like Leishear
65	We moved to Mt. Airy from Montgomery County and have loved the slower pace & quiet community. We value the small town feel of Mt. Airy & that has already changed a lot since we moved here almost 13 years ago. We're happy with Mt. Airy as is & don't want to see it grow into a larger busier community. There's plenty of busy places elsewhere. We don't want to see more houses & apartments go in. However, we'd love to see more businesses on Main St., more shops & businesses that draw people to the downtown area. It seems hard for people to stay in business there & it could be a really great spot. The places there are lovely, & filling in the empty space. Thanks for the opportunity to let us have our voices heard!
66	While in favor of expanding small retail and possible service buildings like maybe a movie theatre I am very much against any residential development smaller than town houses. Condominiums and apartment complexes would only risk a higher transient population increasing probability of crime and decreasing community pride.
67	I do not want to see Cold Storage turn into any type of appt/condo building. I hope that the town agrees as well!
68	Opportunities: Smart growth: I believe that some workforce housing in the D/T area

	would help stimulate economic growth for D/T businesses Community Connectedness : right now I feel most of the town residents are disconnected from the town. They are not informed or involved and do not really care. People are connected to their neighborhoods and their kids schools. If there were a greater focus on family amenities - play area, outdoor performances etc. - in the heart of D/T and a way to make residents feel involved tied to town without making bigger commitments such as being on a commission feel residents would appreciate our town more. Threats_ Being too cautious and afraid of change won't do anything positive for our town.
69	Concerned around discussion regarding Pizza Hut property and potential Chik fil a franchise. I'm pro-growth, but other communities have seen sustained traffic problems with these businesses opening that continue for years. Just search for the experience of Greece, NY. I support the redevelopment, but only if the property owner funds the traffic redevelopment and associated infrastructure that will make the traffic flow
70	1) recent sidewalk improvements on Main St left several curbs not accessible by wheelchairs - Sunset Ave/Main is tight on its apron - with standard curbs would be better to flatten curbs & paint yellow for better accessibility 2) Traffic light at 144 & S Main was improved but a major oversight not having left turn signals for east & west bound rt 144
71	Would like to see a Home Depot or Lowes. Would like to see the planning commission/development commission leverage the businesses in the Mt Airy that bring people to town. Examples: Patches, Wagners, gun shop. The people are already coming to Mt Airy, let's get more of their business!
72	hard to read text - a lot.
73	Need more Arts and Recreational and education opportunities
74	Need more arts, educational and recreational opportunities in town
75	Need access to arts, educational, and recreational opportunities in town
76	Q11 comment Don't know - never contacted
77	The strength of the future of Mt Airy depends upon commercial and/or industrial growth. Companies that develop products or software, IT or professional services like labs can provide employment opportunities above the minimum wage type jobs. High tech centers raise the bar for higher wages and housing & that should be the aim. Mt. Airy offers a highly education market place of individuals who would be glad not to travel to Montgomery County or DC. Aim high and we will achieve higher standards. Town leadership is excellent and focused for the future. That is a great thing for this town. Thank you!
78	see my note about snails pace. Yes the downtown could be much more developed in a gentrified fashion with more diverse privately owned shops (similar to Sykesville and other quaint yet updated/upcycled towns), however in order to do that several issues

	arise. Access! See Center St improvement! Old line business owners need to suck it up and accept a little competition. It will only increase their business and walk thru traffic. The F&M Bank needs to be something! On a positive note the festivals are excellent and get better every year
79	We cannot allow what is happening in New Market, Boyds, and Germantown. The residential housing explosion is destroying the communities. Focus on more parks and land usage - not industrial, commercial, and high-density housing. Thank you.
80	Please have Mt. Airy police stop tailing people trying to get them to speed, when they've done nothing wrong.
81	Would like more business development here. I'm tired of driving to Frederick, Westminster or Milestone every time I need stuff. Shopping local keeps tax dollars local and saves environment by limiting shopping trips to other towns.
82	I appreciate that our town leaders and staff work hard to find ways to keep our taxes and water/sewer rates low so that we can afford to stay living here. (I earn about \$40,000 a year). Thank you. If the various projects mentioned in this survey do need to use tax funds, can they be spread over time so that our taxes do not go up? Thank you.
83	Flat Iron Bldg question - "Make a decision! This has been discussed for 10 years. Unfortunate, but the hard fact is the building has no economic value, is not viable, and needs to go. Do NOT spend tax dollars here!" "on the H&L property; one cannot assume it will stay vacant forever - that is foolish. Annex and control it! Again, this has been talked about for 10 years; make a decision."
84	Stop building. You are losing the small town.
85	1. Stop free papers from being thrown on the ground. Especially at the cluster boxes. 2. Widen road in Wildwood housing so cars do not need to park on the sidewalk.
86	Stop building. Keep the small town.
87	A suggestion for improvement: Limit the garbage truck traffic on our roads through town. Most weeks/months out of the year, there are trash trucks going up and down the road 4 out of 7 days of the week. Mt Airy, as a municipality, should be able to work it out with J and J Trash Inc. to pick up trash on both sides of the street simultaneously, regardless that the trash on one side of the street is in Frederick county and the other is Carroll County. It would seem that this would be a more efficient and cost-effective way of doing business. It would also allow for less wear and tear and traffic on our roads, as well as reduce noise and cut down on the chances of hazardous instances with these large vehicles. There was one fatality last year involving a garbage truck in our community.
88	Town should become much more proactive and accommodating in attracting business enterprises to the area. I believe the town has not taken advantage of the I-70 corridor as an economic resource. Must find a balance between small town and economic growth.



89	Regarding the old bank building on the corner of Prospect and North Main, this building had architectural value to the town. It is despicable that the town of Mount Airy has allowed this property to remain vacant as long as it has. Whatever happened to having a community facility, for people to be members of, YMCA, recreational indoor facility...
90	The small-town feel, and historic charm is what brought us to move to Mt Airy. We love the community and feel the town genuinely cares about its residents - thank you for that! We do worry that there will be too much population growth, and thus lose that small-town feel. We are very open to "beautifying" the downtown area, but want no parking garages; or large buildings added. We wish that the old bank would be restored and turned into a restaurant, or maybe a small furniture type shop. The vandalism there is a shame to see. Thanks!
91	Q4 Slow down! Q12 Walking around downtown to meet residents or in shopping centers occasionally would be nice. Q20 If it means closing downtown Main St to traffic
92	Expand Rails to Trails pathway. Add bicycle paths.
93	#1 issue for me is the continued revitalization of our historic downtown. It should be a vibrant area (restaurants, shopping, & strolling around). The historic character needs to be preserved, but updated so to attract tourists/businesses. Look to downtown Frederick as a model (but on a smaller scale).
94	1) Is there a need for an industrial park on the Harrison-Leishear property? Is the industrial park on Back acre Circle utilized/developed? If not, then why develop another one? 2) While I have not been a Mt. Airy resident long, I do hate to see the loss of an architectural building such as the Flat Iron building. But if it is unsafe as is and is cost prohibitive to renovate, then I would opt for the more budget friendly multi-use plan. I would love to see more business come to downtown area but there are several unoccupied & vacant buildings already. Perhaps they aren't town owned, but would like to see them used before building. 3) As a resident of Main Street I feel the speed limit is too high and largely not abided by drivers. When searching for the perfect home to buy, my family loved the charm & historic qualities of Main Street. However, even with the sidewalks it doesn't feel pedestrian friendly to walk downtown or towards restaurants at the intersection of E. Ridgeville. Crossing the street to collect mail feels perilous - and I am most concerned for my elderly & disable neighbors doing the same.
95	Note: the choice to utilize forced-choice methodology in the (Likert?) sealing, while sometimes appropriate, is not always appropriate. For instance, I have never interacted with MAPD, and therefore have no basis for opinion. I encourage you to consult a qualified social scientist regarding quantitative/qualitative analytics. Main Street traffic: speed of traffic on Main Street greatly exceed the bounds of comfort. This is further compounded by the absence of a set-back for the sidewalk, rendering pedestrian traffic uncomfortable and unsafe. The 30mph speed limit on S. Main is neither observed nor sufficient nor enforced; indeed, the speed limit should be wither 20 or 25mph throughout, for both safety and consistency. Regarding the Harrison-

	Leishear property. As noted, the property represents an excellent water source for our water-poor town. That being the case, why would we risk corrupting this water by building an industrial park?
96	I would like to see an Aldi grocery store and more diverse ethnic restaurants. Great job!
97	hard to read text - a lot of it.
98	-I don't want to more jobs in Mt Airy. I prefer it remain a "bedroom community" -I'd like to see a smarter strategy - going forward - in our busier intersections. So far - it's been poor development, of roads and intersections. Dangerous. -Harrison-Leishear - not much recently on your/our website. I would prob prefer the town annex but what's the timeframe? how interested is the county? How soon might the county annex? If we annex, do we have to develop immediately? I am not pro development, which is why I would lean toward the Mt Airy govt handling it, but it is an annex?? - On a personal note: I love the fountain at Prospect Park. I know its beneficial as well as pleasing to the senses. I'd like more in other parks.
99	I would like to see the town of Mt. Airy do something to offer incentives to encourage the opening of more businesses/shopping in downtown Mt. Airy. Regarding the recycling program - I am curious as to why Carroll Co. receives pickups every week, while the Frederick Co. side is restricted to every other week. If I remember correctly, this was begun as a test to see which pickup schedule would be best - and seems to have been forgotten about. As a resident of the Frederick Co. side it feels my tax dollars are funding better services for something I am not receiving. I do not necessarily need it changed, but would like to see it the same for all. The free papers seem to have become a problem for the new cluster mailboxes on Main Street. Can the town help to stop it?
100	There are limited entertainment options (outside of ball fields) locally for both kids and adults. Alternative entertainment options and activities, such as mountain bike/running trails and unique recreation and relaxation options would keep residents' spending within the town as well as bring non-residential dollars into the town.
101	Small independently owned businesses (the type that is considered by most to be the backbone of a community) are having an exceedingly difficult time surviving in this town. Rent rates throughout town are way too high and there is not enough to attract patrons from outside of town to come to Mt. Airy to spend time and money. This is devastating to the town's health and vitality and to the individuals and families trying to make a go of it. More support is needed (and not just in the downtown zone). Although organized sports can provide health and social benefits, this town should encourage a wide range of sports and activities and stop using potential space for more "ball fields." Yay for pickleball courts, trails, hiking, mountain biking, etc. Thank you.
102	1) Left turn light in front of Anita's Liquor 2) No left turn out of Anita's Liquor - too many traffic near misses 3) South Main Street by Main St. & 27 closed and open road

	connecting Ridgeville 4) Wish recycling every week Frederick County 5) No condensed housing 6) More restaurants
103	Mt. Airy is mostly grocery stores, nail salons, gas stations and liquor stores. No one really travels to here unless it's for TJMaxx/Home Goods. Bed & Breakfasts or more shopping would help. Also more downtown parking.
104	Prospect Road fix that building, siding off trashy looking. Fix Dennis Kitchen Property, take down the fences. Prospect Road buildings need to be inspected Old bank tear down
105	Good work. I'm a Mt Airy fan.
106	Retail - Only quality shops, not more junk like Walmart or WAWA. Our police department isn't on duty from 2:00am - 6:00am. Seriously!!! It is difficult to live in Mount Airy. There are no professional opportunities so people have to commute. How? There aren't any commuter bus services available here. We also don't have any Uber or Lyft services. We don't have anything here that makes modern life easy. No meal delivery services like GrubHub will come here. And gas prices and grocery stores are higher than in Ellicott City and Columbia. The town is not attractive or charming. There are no good places to eat. We have lots of fast food. And junky store. Where is the quality? I haven't seen much change since I've lived here. Where's the progress? Why should people want to live here? It's hard. Not beautiful - just old and run down. Why is the tennis wall at the end of a tennis court? If some people are using the court you can't hit on the wall?! Why so many walking trails? How about more tennis courts? How about a 24h police force? How about a hone Baked Ham or Panera Bread not a Chick-fil-A? How about proofreading before you send out documents? The large post card had a spelling error. We need a better food store. I drive to Whole Foods and Wegmans. We need quality in Mount Airy not low rent junk merchants. The town needs to be beautiful when you drive into it. Where are the tall trees and flowers? How could it take 3 years to put up a "Welcome to Mt. Airy" sign? And it's not impressive. That is so sad! No trees or anything around it. Add beautiful buildings. Add shopping centers. How about getting restaurant businesses that will get people to come to the town? So we can make money! Use professionals for advice. We need parking but make it attractive.
107	question 12- publish an arrest report every month, I like the old state police system, like to have local people employed as police. Flat Iron Building: if building is unsafe tear it down! Do not rebuild as its too expensive. We do not need to be paying anyone to trying to grow Mt Airy or develop more businesses. That should not be town funds. If we do not take land into the town than we have no control over anything. If unannexed than we cannot control the water. The town has limited water.
108	The town is disgraced by the bank building being vacant for years. No courage, no vision, no creativity on this issue by town leadership. The town was formed by and continues to work within structural racism. That's not to say its racist but it- like most towns in America, forever during a period where blacks were prohibited from getting the same loans, same deeds, same govt politics as whites. It needs to understand this as the push for affordable housing become more intense. My priority is that Mt Airy

	may be an equitable community.
109	* Against low income housing *Appears/ rumors there are closed door meetings , decisions are decided by few without the town input * Need structured enforcement on property upkeep, both residential and commercial * love to see gas available for entire town
110	Please do something with traffic on Main St. I know you can't control the volume, but vehicles speed all the time creating a safety problem. Please do something with the eye sore at 808 S Main St, it's a shame it still is sitting there 3.5 years after the fire.
111	*The town listens well to the citizens but needs to improve making town aware of meetings and decisions *I really appreciate the direction the town is going. My one major concern is that so much of downtown Main St storefronts are not retail/ restaurants but are instead banks and insurance places. I would like to see more effort on the part of the town to incentivize small retail/ restaurants business to move into the Main St store fronts.
112	In the 40 some years I have lived in Mt Airy, there have been many changes. Some are good changes/ improvements some not so good. The downtown area has had many upgrades but the fact remains that there is not any good solutions to the parking and there is limited possibilities for growth. I am definitely not in favor of the low income housing on the cold storage property. While I believe everyone deserves to have affordable housing the fact does seem that when low income housing is clustered together, there always seems to be problems such as crimes drugs and traffic. I feel the town should make a better effort to make residences aware of changes that will affect them directly before they are approved. For example, the letter that was sent out about the clustered mailboxes and the walkability improvements to the sidewalks the project was already approved and started when residences were informed about the possibility of such a project. I would like to see the town enforce property owners residential and commercial to maintain their property. There are many areas within the downtown that are eyesores. Center St needs much cleanup/ upgrading. The area around Alleghany and DMS Signs particularity. If Center St actually goes thru, it will be the gateway into our town. The vacant F & M Bank is another area, don't get me wrong, I love Mt Airy and even though we have grown from our small town, our community continues to come together helping each other, that has not changed! We are also blessed to have all the wonderful people who volunteer to make Mt Airy a wonderful place to raise a family!
113	Traffic is BAD no more building
114	question 3- We need more theatre, small local music venues, The F& M Building would be a great venue for music and shoppes. * Limit high density residential development *Expand downtown entertainment * dining to attract visitors and residents *Institute community involved policing * Until the density and scope of industrial development is identified & defines we cannot make an informed decision. However as residents of N Main St we would be opposed impacts of light pollution resulting from poorly designed and wasteful outdoor lighting systems. 1. Mt Airy is a good place to live. Overdevelopment threatens its small town character. We are

	<p>opposed to connecting Rt 27 to Main St via Center St. The increased traffic would eventually require a traffic light at Main and Center St which would gridlock traffic downtown making parking next to impossible and completely change the small-town atmosphere and charm of downtown. 2. High density residential development- I am opposed to this 3. Rt 27 was originally built as Mt Airy bypass, traffic has steadily increased at this time as has the number of traffic lights. Now rt 27 traffic uses MAIN St as the 27 bypass because of the traffic. 4. Speeding is a constant issue on Main St all day and everyday North Main has no sidewalks forcing people to walk on the St at time due to the steep drop offs. 5. Overdevelopment has placed a strain on Emergency Medical Services. The additions of thousands of new residential housing units in Frederick Co. bordering Mt Airy, as well as the Lorien and Pleasant View nursing homes will keep placing additional demands on the EMS. Currently Lisbons ambulance is in Mt Airy on a daily basis, sometimes on multiple occasions. 6. If we are to retain our small town character and charm, quality of life issues need to be addressed. When approaching Mt Airy on I-70 at night, there is a huge glow illuminating and reflecting off of the clouds. The light is 100% wasted energy. Mt Airy should consider adopting a similar ordinance, as Sedona Az. We should be able to see the stars at night as a small town</p>
115	<p>* We need more theatre, small local, music venues. The F&amp; M building would be a great venue for such events. * # 5 - Downtown, Twin Arch Rd Rt 144 corridors          *Institute community involved policing *Lived here 4 generations * Until the density and scope of industrial development is identified and defined, we cannot make an informed decision. However, as residents of N Main St we would be opposed to new industrial development until the town addresses the impacts of lights, pollution, resulting from poorly designed and wasteful outdoor lighting systems. 1. Mt Airy is a good place to live. Overdevelopment threatens its small town character. We are opposed to connecting Rt 27 to Main via Center St. The increased traffic would eventually require a traffic light at Main St and Center St which would gridlock traffic downtown making parking next to impossible and completely changing the small-town atmosphere and charm. 2. High density development 3. Rt 27 was originally built and referred to as the Mt Airy bypass. Traffic has steadily increased as the # of traffic lights. Now Rt 27 uses Main St as Rt 27 bypass because of traffic volume and delays caused by the lights on Rt 27. Speeding is a constant issue on Main St all day every day. N Main has no sidewalks forcing people to walk on N Main at time due to steep drop offs. 4. Over development has placed a strain on Emergency Services. The addition of thousands of new residential housing units in Frederick Co. bordering Mt Airy as well as Lorien &amp; Mt Pleasant nursing homes will keep placing additional demands on EMs . Currently Lisbons ambulance is in Mt Airy on a daily basis sometimes multiple times. 5. If we are to retain our small town character and charm, quality of life issues need to be addressed. Sedona Az passed an outdoor lighting ordinance which addresses sources of pollution from street, industrial and other outdoor light sources that obscure the night sky. When approaching I 70at night there is a huge glow illuminating and reflecting off of the clouds. This light is 100% wasted energy. Mt Airy should consider adopting a similar ordinance. We should be able to see the stars in our small town.</p>

116	Completely against closing Park Ave in any scenario, keep 2 way
117	#8 Recreational facilities most needed, the town's ongoing greatest needs are a recreational fields complex (Harrison-Leishear property?) and also a community center within town boundary and new police station (extension of Center St. from downtown to 27) #15 Seeing improvement with commission and new town council. Improvement needed in roads planning. Needs to be more forward thinking better manage local transportation issues and management.
118	I would like to see more restaurants and a movie theater.
119	Q3 they wrote in "stop putting in red lights" and not enough shopping. Q5 Center Street next to identify new areas.
120	I would like a community center.
121	The biggest plus Mt Airy has is its willingness to "gather." A town that encourages what each person actively brings to the table remains dynamic and relevant.
122	Larger Gyms
123	Could we start a town composting effort? I like seeing the improvements being made to the sidewalks. Many areas are still not safe and aren't wide enough for strollers. We would also very much be interested in public transportation such as a busing system. Community gardens?
124	The parking in downtown in Mt. Airy - along Main Street is a hazard. I would love to see less street parking and a wider road go through there. If you are in a larger vehicle it is awful trying to get through. I would love to see more evening entertainment opportunities in Mt Airy downtown. Also the old bank building needs to be developed. We need a micro-brew & restaurant in there!
125	Excessive speeding on North Main St needs to be addressed. More restaurants - Panera, Chick fil a Sonic, Outback... Develop the old bank in the town. It is a blemish to our pretty town
126	More retail
127	Thanks for asking our input
128	# 5b Center Street- Possible cultural venue suggestions: concert hall / community recreational center Retail store suggestion: book store We'd love to see space for small / tiny house community. We think it would be harmful to NOT grow at a faster rate.
129	Rehab of abandoned buildings should take priority over new. Pressure should be placed on the owner to occupy the old bank building on the corner of N Main Street and Prospect. The town should be open and acceptable to most businesses in this building.
130	Parrs Ridge ok on elementary school teaching very good middle schools teachers need

	help in teaching methods need work retirement not really possible here
131	Would like to see more police cars cruising the neighborhoods. Would like specific case published regarding the police dept. Would like to see sidewalks completed on N. Main St all the way up for walkers. Would like mailbox project completed up N Main. Would like more senior housing opportunities, Old F&M bank on Main is eye sore. Make every effort to improve that entire corner. Speed limit signs on Hillcrest. Kids and animals off this street and cars use it as a cut thru as well as delivery trucks. Many speed thru. Some action on dilapidated buildings throughout town, Dog waste bags and disposals throughout Wildwood Park.
132	The only thing that I would like to see is a High School but I know we don't have enough population, so I will just suffer!!!
133	Mt. Airy is the perfect mix of an urban, rural, small town family community. Do whatever you have to do to keep it that way.
134	thanks for asking. Road plowing and maintenance guys are great. Thank you for all you do. No apartments on Hill Street. We do not need the traffic/crime/taxes. Go away please.
135	These issues are so complicated, and it is heartening to see that Mt. Airy is asking so directly for residents' involvement in decisions. I am in favor of all the good stuff: park space, walking trails, and more retail. However, as a citizen I also understand the community need for preservation. In the end, I want my property value to rise, plain & simple. I would love to see beautification of my neighborhood, Baker Hill. I despise the exposed parking lot on Hotel Street & I believe some cheap options could be used to beautify that eyesore. I also wish that my neighbors would invest in their homes/apartment buildings. My family calls the apartment building on Baker & Hotel the "crack den." That's what it looks like because it is so run down. However, we have not had any problems with the residents.
136	I want the State troopers back more professional. Mt. Airy police are bullies and tyrants! Please Help
137	Our town is wonderful for many reasons. One being its small, quaint town feel. We do not need more fast food (Chic-fila), gas stations, large commercial developments. Please do not turn Mt. Airy into a Damascus/Germantown. I am willing to pay higher taxes to keep it small.
138	Thank you for all your hard work in soliciting our opinions. One comment comes to mind - maybe Mt. Airy should consider a town band similar to the Municipal band in Westminster.
139	We really value the balance of rural small town & some restaurants and walkable space. Please continue to make measured improvements while maintaining this desirable location and avoid adding lots of extra housing to keep area from overcrowding. Thank you for your civic service to us all!
140	We have limited food places available after 11 PM. Would love to have a Sheetz or

	Royal Farms - something open all night. - Traffic lights @ 27N + N. Main St. - too many accidents.
141	We have not lived in Mt Airy long enough to fully explore these questions. Our move was motivated entirely by location to family. We have however, interacted with several aspects of the city, mostly relating to our house being newly built. The biggest issues we have are 1) very poor integration into the postal service, and 2) lack of retirement oriented service. But we have only had less than a year.
142	I would like to see more dining opportunities i.e. Olive Garden and Denny's
143	The Flat Iron building is a town landmark, but with everything else its time has come to an end. The property it sits on is in a poor location for any building. Benches, a canopy, and maybe a water fountain or some other water feature would be a nice alternative. I would like to see the Harrison-Leishear property remain as is, however, the only constant in life is change so instead of the county developing the property I guess the town should have some say in it also. I do believe that the town of Mt Airy is a fabulous place to live and to that extent I am not looking anywhere else to call home. There are a lot of tough choices to be made and you can't please everybody all the time. This survey shows to me that Mt Airy still wants to be a small town.
144	I would like to see development of public transport through the town. Possibly work with the county or nearby towns like Damascus.
145	-Nice small town feel. Some of the traffic is a bit weird. -Think of people on Park St before you close it. -Need to have better turn from S Main St to 27N.
146	In response to the development of the land: 1) Have more than one suggestion for development from at least one more development expert. 2) 100% in favor of annex to the city. 3) In favor of multiuse residential, commercial, and park land. 4) No industrial replaced by commercial. The expansion will bring in larger community and tax dollars to pay for the cost of expansion.2537 This is where wise and good stewardship of the land available.
147	In response to question 2/a: I would also like to see an inside & out pictorial monument telling of all past occupants & businesses. Thank you.
148	1. Flat Iron Building - Historic...yes... but there is a line of sight issue that could result in a traffic fatality along the adjacent road. Safety trumps in this issue. Remove building and improve line of site. 2. Harrison Leishear Property; Leave open space and farmland! No need to develop the property. State and County should buy and keep as farmland. Traffic issues along Rt 27 are horrible. Why would you add to an existing annex that Mt Airy taxes would go down. Also negative impact on water and sewer. 3. Improve back acre "Soccer" fields so they don't flood. Soccer had to move to Mt Airy Middle School because of the frequent floods on the Back Acre fields. 4. Need more quality -flood free sports fields that the town of Mt Airy owns and controls.
149	No apartment on Hill St! Clean up Skunk Hollow!



150	we do something about the Free Papers that accumulate at the new mailboxes on Main Street
151	Q. 5: "1801 South Main St Vosloh Prop." Q. 12: "Leash Laws #2"
152	Q.5: suggested "71801 South main Voslon prop" Q.12 added "Leash Law is #2"
153	Not sure they are moving in any direction - Center St needs to be addressed; flat iron building needs to be addressed; parking needs to be addressed. Center Street "connection" needs priority 24 hr coverage of Police Department needs to be addressed Parking downtown needs to be seriously addressed.
154	Q 25 "mostly" next to right direction. I don't have many concerns about Mt. Airy. I have lived here for over 40 years and have raised children and grandchildren here. The people are friendly and kind and welcoming. My one concern is the speed with which cars travel through town and along Main Street. People are getting mail, taking out trash and recycling and walking and jogging. They are on the sidewalk which is right next to the road. It's scary and dangerous when cars whiz by at high rates of speed. I think we should take this more seriously.
155	Main Street desperately needs speed humps and/or cameras. As a new resident, I'm surprised there are none. Also, I absolutely love Mt Airy. So glad we moved here. :)
156	-Cold storage property - strongly against apartments/condo development there, including and especially if it would become subsidized housing, rental properties. -A public recreation facility would be nice as part of the parks. -Question 12: Visiting schools (tres, maes, mams) with proactive and prevention messages for the kids: PTA, PTO's. Periodic (monthly?) talk w/ a cop - informal time where residents could visit w/ a local police officer at a Main Street restaurant - maybe focused issue/topic. Include kids/teens issues... social media safety, drugs. Our family loves living in Mount Airy
157	#12 - I would like to see the officers visit the schools to let the children know they are good people and want to help.
158	Q. 12 comment: Traffic enforcement -As a retiree living in town, I see the snow removal by the town as excellent. However I see too many maintenance trucks visiting fast food - convenience stores 1st thing in the morning & throughout the day, engines always idling. I frequently see trucks driving around town but do not see people working. Trucks often park in fire lanes in front of grocery stores and employees come out with multiple bags of groceries (lunch?). I am not the only citizen to witness this. If they are on the clock this practice should stop.
159	More parking needed downtown
160	1) Get rid of the Pizza Hut and put a Chick-fil-A. 2) Get rid of Walmart and put a Target there
161	Q4 comment- add speed cameras Q6 comment- none good as is Q8 comment- none good as is Q9 comment- do they recycle on their own? if it means we have to pay for it then no Q21 comment- but have a bid or vote of who to allow come in if its fits with the town values. What business will be there? How will it affect the people who live

	here?
162	#1 thing I would like to see is doing something with the old bank building downtown.
163	The Rail to Trail should be developed from railroad east of the Waste Water Plant to a western point at Route 144 west of town.
164	I am a perfectionist at heart, I would like to see the flat iron bldg remain as well as the old town hall. I like the Old Town feel of Mt Airy, With change comes some progress but also more problems. Every Town has crime, and now will the department handle this? More officers, or just putting a band aid on it. Will the police have the resources they need? Whatever the outcome, I hope the task force considers the townspeople and the quality of the life over commercial gains.
165	#12 Other - Everyday Preparedness, With the growth of economic development in Frederick, Mount Airy has an opportunity to attract an educated population that could improve the quality of schools and childcare. I think Mount Airy can become an attractive town to live in if there were only 2 more small-medium retail shops or entertainment venues (small movie theater). Just a couple strategic businesses could increase the town's housing value while maintaining its small town feel.
166	12 f - Emergency preparation planning sessions
167	Flat Iron Bldg: The footprint does not justify trying to make this area an economic engine. Close the basement, stabilize the structure. Eliminate the top floor and make the main level a gallery. No elevator. Consultants simply came up with what the mayor wanted in the first place. Dorsey Annexation: It is disgraceful to have a minority community island along Main Street that is not incorporated into the town. This should cost the owners nothing. We have money and money is available from the State. We live in Mt. Airy, MD, not Mt. Airy, Mississippi! Parks Avenue should remain open. Center Street needs to be negotiated w/ developers/Beck family to cover street costs plus an acre for police protection.
168	Park Ave should not be closed. Strongly oppose taking down Flat Iron Bldg & changing character of that area - street - Mt Airy shouldn't be downtown Rockville. There are options. Center Street open would be a plus. The old bank building is in dire need of attention - disgrace as it deteriorates.
169	I suggest, that before new development of any kind takes place, the town revisit the creation of the Gillis Reservoir. This would eliminate any need for further wells and clear the way for future planned development.
170	I think the sidewalks going into town for events need to be addressed for safety. We love the town of Mt Airy
171	Do not put Center Street through to Rt 27 and close Park Ave or make it one way.
172	One hotspot issue today is the influx of illegal aliens. I don't believe I have ever heard Mt Airy's position on this. I am definitely opposed to the being or becoming a sanctuary town, whichever the case may be. Anyone who has the proper documentation should certainly be welcomed. Otherwise, the law is the law, and

	should be followed.
173	I love the planning for possible chick fil a !!! Yes please and thank you!
174	- Make the Chick-Fil-A takeover of Pizza Hut happen - Improve the Rail Trail from Main Street to Watkins Park. Widen it and cut the vegetation back from the trail.
175	It would be great to have more "Mom & Pop" restaurants in Main Street, it often feels that Main Street is lacking vibrancy for food and entertainment. Example: Breweries, wine bars, restaurants
176	Under 12: Other - Would love to see more police presence on roads - watching for cars running/driving through stop signs. This is dangerous for folks who frequently walk to the library and downtown. Also please watch for cars/trucks speeding on Merridale Blvd, Park Avenue, and Ridge Avenue. Thank you for taking the time to survey town residents. Hoping that the town or county will do more to "green" the area on Ridge Ave where the "water run-off" management area is located. We loved the woods much more than the walls and open area. Also could the tree limbs, vines etc along sidewalks be monitored for trimming when hanging too low to walk under? As you have noticed, I love to walk to places in Mount Airy. But sometimes walking in Mount Airy can be quite dangerous with speeding cars not stopping at stop signs and low hanging branches...and when we have snow...unshoveled walks! Thanks again for this Survey!
177	99% of drivers do not stop at stop signs. If they are not going to be enforced they should be replaced with yield signs. Speeding is an issue on Wt. 27. (Racing and loud motor-cycles can be heard for miles at night) Speeding on residential streets is also a problem. *Although Rt. 27 is a state road the speed limit should be 40 mph from the flashing light at N. Main to I-70.
178	First, I greatly appreciate this survey and being allowed a say! I have lived in Mt Airy for over 30 years. In this time I have watched the small, charming town grow into a mini city. What I loved about this town the small / home feel is quickly dissipating. There can be economic growth without land development!! I do not want to see an increase in population. With this comes an increase in traffic and crime. Both of which I have witnessed in the past 30 years.
179	1) Do not want any more development and crime than what has already happened. 2) Commercial establishments (especially Dunkin Donuts/Mt. Airy Inn) need to keep their premises clean - Rats all over the dumpsters!) Walmart hill also! 3) I do not mind driving 20 minutes for more restaurant choices/movies/shopping etc. Do not want another Germantown/Damascus! 4) Please limit development - we moved here because of the small town charm. Don't understand why people move here and immediately want to change it into what they left. Thanks.
180	These surveys are useful to obtain town resident's opinions; however we don't receive survey results unless we attend town meetings. Could an aggregate report be provided to town residents via newsletter or email? We want to preserve the town history, but also boost economic growth without taking away the family oriented small town environment. Question 25 "not sure." Q 7 they wrote in "more people

	results in more crime. Cost of homes and property existing needs to be more affordable. Q 12 Speeding violations.
181	Would like to see the police have more of a visual presence in the residential neighborhoods - at least once per day - or more often, especially when children are @ home to see them, ie, late afternoon when school is over for the day.
182	I love the small town feel, which is why we moved from Annapolis. Even in the 5 years of living here, growth/traffic/crime has grown. Mt Airy was/has been known for safety and sense of small town community. Let's keep it that way! No chic-fil-a, no WAWA, no more traffic!
183	Mount Airy is a good, nice place to retire - if you have worked outside of Mt. Airy. Someone who has worked in CC is hard pressed to make ends meet especially as far as housing costs are concerned. I cannot visualize what the commission/consultant recommended - I need pictures and models. (regarding Q 22)
184	Thank you for the pickleball courts
185	Mt. Airy needs more department stores and good restaurants.
186	No section 8. No public transportation - Ride On bus
187	Would like to see more options for dining out. Perhaps a movie theater. Thanks for all you do in keeping our town moving forward and maintaining the small town atmosphere.
188	Would love a Panera, and a Kung Fu tea
189	I realize town water is tested and we are told how great the level of everything in it is, but it continues to eat through copper pipes! The recent grinding of our raised sidewalks is not going to fix problem long term, just delay the inevitable of having to replace sections due to root growth. I think the town police force task force misled the community in regards to costs as there was no way the original number of officers was adequate and more officers were needed immediately. I also don't see why all town PD vehicles were FWD full size SUV's. They do a good job but the process was flawed. As often as the old Mt Airy Elem has been considered for closing I think it will eventually be closed and I think the school should be acquired by town and converted into a community center, townhall, PD
190	Question 1 - section 6 - places to retire. Mt. Airy yes. MD not so much. MD laws make retiring here not a great option. We need a hotel - name brand. Hilton, Marriott We don't need any more grocery stores unless it is a Trader Joes. We don't need any large box stores. Target, Home Depot, Lowes, etc. We don't need any more gas stations or liquor stores. The Bank Building downtown needs to be developed or torn down for park or parking or both & not let it deteriorate.
191	I'm looking forward to a revitalization of downtown Mt Airy. I think the town is moving in the right direction with their efforts so far. I would like to see something go into the old bank (a restaurant?) to bring back some life to that end of Main St instead of the dilapidated structure and should be refurbished and put to use. I think there is

	<p>enough currently wasted commercial space in Mt Airy that we should put efforts into restoring and filling these spaces with profitable businesses before developing any more land. Also, I support the development of affordable condos/apartments. While I have never lived in the Mt Airy apartments, their monopoly on affordable housing in the area has left their tenants with sub par living space and safety. I fear the day a fire or other tragedy breaks out in those buildings. They are death traps waiting to happen.</p>
192	I would like to see a Home Depot or Lowe in our community
193	<p>The intersection in front of the Starbucks/Safeway needs some consideration. I've seen accidents and many close calls. Specifically people travelling on 27 and making a right on red proceed directly onto Safeway w/o stopping. Many use the 1 way stretch in front of Starbucks as a 2 way causing issues at that intersection.</p>
194	Thank you for asking our opinion
195	Need a high school, thank you for giving out this survey
196	<p>The economic development of downtown is the only detractor of living in Mt Airy. Financial planners, insurance agents, and the VFW aren't traffic. Need more food, shopping, and entertainment in downtown. And stop spending money on the train car!</p>
197	<p>In the region, there are a lot of communities with higher population density - more resources, more things to do, but more traffic and general stress. Mt Airy is a bit of an oasis in the midst of chaos, and I would prefer to maintain that peaceful living if possible.</p>
198	<p>Don't close Park Ave!!! Police Dept. Comm. Service Unit notes: It would be nice to see an effort to help rehabilitate drug users in tow, rather than prosecuting them and continuing to make town members fearful of them</p>
199	<p>Please do not bring affordable housing to Mt Airy. I have seen the negative results of other communities as a result. Increased crime, drugs, negative appearance. Keep the town as it is, Progress slowly with thought and knowledge.</p>
200	Like Mt. Airy as it is now
201	<p>MAPD-I never see them unless they are tucked away waiting to pull someone over. They never roll through neighborhood to see the 4 wheelers on the streets, commercial trucks on the streets etc. If you need one just go to Walmart or even the Firehouse. The flat iron building is part of our story of our town. Not sure of the proper answer but don't want it taken down. And, I don't want Park Ave access taken away either</p>
202	<p>I would like to see the police department patrol more than being parked. I also would like to see the commercial vehicle law of parking on street be enforced</p>
203	<p>We need more expensive homes. That WAWA would be nice. We should consider ending recycling, it's uneconomical. Flat Iron Bldg - Prefer to sell it entirely. H-L</p>

	Property - The last time we tried annexing and it did not go well. Improving Rt 27 B/W Penn Shop & Main would be nice. Replace traffic lights with traffic circles. Maybe next time do survey online to save money.
204	Policing on large # of vehicles parked on residential streets. Mt. Airy, in many respects, represents the best of qualities of life: simplicity, small caring community, proximity to other places while maintaining separation from high stress environments. Let's do everything we can to keep it that way. Keep development to a minimum.
205	1) 3 way stop sign at Main and Prospect. would slow traffic down and allow for faster access to Main St and agree from Prospect. A large number of the MAVFC live on Prospect. Waiting to make a left turn onto Main St. delays valuable response time putting residents and first responders at risk. 2) If I were going to retire in the state of MD, Mt Airy would be home. Growing up in Damascus I was always quite fond of Mt Airy and Im glad to have made it home for the past 24 years. I've had no regrets moving/living in this quaint little town. I've never agreed with all the moved the town made, but I understand why it was done, and have supported it.
206	This is a great format to obtain public opinion however I'd be concerned over the cost to mail it to each and every resident, copying 7 pages and the cost of each return envelope. I can't help but wonder if there could have been a more cost effective way to accomplish this without jeopardizing the integrity of the process.
207	Have lived here 18 years. Would like to see the remaining open space stay that way. Keep that rural feeling.
208	Q. 2: Atmosphere, Rural Setting, Sense of Safety, Small Town Q.3: Shopping, Rec, Traffic, Employment. The corner abandoned bank needs to be restored, removed, or something else needs to go there. The owner/owners need a time line, do something with it, or be forced to sell it.
209	I would like to see sidewalks connecting the Nottingham development with the rest of town, including safe crossings at the intersections of Watersville and Rt 27. There is currently no safe way to access downtown (from Nottingham) except by vehicle. This is a problem for unlicensed workers who need to walk to work downtown.
210	I think Mount Airy needs a lot more diversity. Overall a great place to grow up, but not for people in 20's, only like 2 good bars that close at 12:30 :(
211	Great mayor!
212	If businesses are added, we need healthier options ie. "Chopped", "Cava", "Mediterranean Grill", "MOMS", "Wegmans", "Roots", even a Panera would not be so bad - no more junk/"traditional fast foods" or "bargain stores". 27 is already over loaded introducing additional traffic into the area would not be my choice. The addition of public transportation opens our town up to additional crime. Crime is why we left Baltimore, subsidized housing negatively effecting the school system is why we left Columbia. I would move again if crime continued to rise and the burdens on our schools continue to grow.

213	We moved to Mt. Airy in the 1990s because of the small town feel. We had moved from Frederick and really like the slower pace. We don't want big name stores or more growth with new homes. We like the small town feel.
214	More restaurants and shopping vs having to go to Frederick or Columbia Brewery/Brewpub
215	Areas I would like to see: Community Center, small movie theater, more counseling/therapy offices, community pool, Chick-Fil-A, pathways and running paths to connect all neighborhoods, shoulder on Watersville, and replace WalMart with a Target. Thank you for asking for input. Overall, we love our town and appreciate our community, all of our services, town council, and service clubs. I appreciate your time and service to our town.
216	Center St connection - Yes, especially to walk across Rt. 27! Flat Iron - choice e - With architecture review board oversight. We moved here to raise our young children with the idea of the hiker/biker trail being developed. I strongly encourage the town to add trails/sidewalks/bike facilities to access town by other options. Multimodal options are the future of this country and benefit all ages & encourage healthy choices. Walking and biking are the future; Mt. Airy should be a town to encourage this with all future changes to come to the area. The word "improvement" has many different meanings to people. No place should only be accessed by car. Equal access is the place of the future. Mt. Airy should be out in front of that and be a role model for other small towns to adopt non-car-centric places.
217	More Baseball/softball fields needed traffic on 27 is problematic-light cycle times and timing not optimized. I'd like to see chik fi la and trader joe's come to Mt Airy
218	20 years ago the town council was going to fix our water resources problems, has that been dealt with? The town council gets nothing accomplished. They have been talking about paving downtown parking lots for years. Rout 27 backs up every night. Adding a light at Center St. would only add to the traffic problem. We don't need to add any more industrial business parks until the ones we have are at 100% capacity. The ones we have look trashy. The town council needs to get out and look at high end business parks. We don't need any more that look like dumps.
219	I would like to see an arts space for visual and performing arts
220	It seems like they've been talking about Center St., the Flat iron building, parking downtown, etc. for a long time, for almost 19 years I've lived here and we're still talking about it. I'm not a fan of Center St. connecting to 27 but I know I'm in the minority. I'd rather see something happen or stop talking about it.
221	Development and growth in this town move entirely too slow. We have good plans and intentions but poor execution and completion in timely fashion. There are not enough business and employment opportunities to keep people local. Recreational and shopping/food plans need to be addressed. We have plans headed in the right direction but these could easily move to wrong direction if we move too slowly.
222	The town needs a recreation center and more parks with nature trails. Other walking

	trails are also needed. Connect the Rails to Trails with road behind Knills Farm. A brewery in downtown would be great.
223	After living in Mount Airy for almost 20 years and raising two wonderful daughters that now attend the colleges of their choice, we would love to downsize to a moderate and more modern 55+ active adult community. It would be fantastic if Mount Airy could put this into future housing plans. We would love one level (main master) living in newer and more modern housing than Wildwood provides. Although, we love this community for our mother. Thank you for asking the for people of the town's input.
224	I used to live near Main St and enjoyed walking downtown to eat and shop. There are fewer stores now. Downtown needs attention.
225	Thank you for all of your efforts in creating, distributing and analyzing these results! Much appreciated
226	I have lived in Mt Airy for almost 30 years now and have loved raising my family here. I love living in a small town and feel that my children got an excellent education here too. I feel that one of Mt Airy's strengths is in it being a small town and I have been pleased that smart growth has always been an emphasis here. That should continue to be an emphasis in the future. Over the years I have tried to keep up with the town's areas of concern such as growth, development, traffic, etc., and yet so many topics mentioned in this survey I really felt like I could not offer an educated opinion on. There were many unknowns or possible negative impacts that made decision making not possible for me. For example, regarding the Flat Iron building, although it may seem the best option to tear it down, I know the fire department was concerned about closing Park Avenue of Main Street, so I can't really be on board with that recommendation. Also, I can understand the need for the town to control the development of the Harrison-Leishear property, but can imagine the traffic impact to be significantly negative. And what possible outcomes of the 40 acres of undeveloped land there? Could that become industrial land too? Traffic is a big concern of mine with what seems like daily accidents on Rt 27 now. I think an increased police presence, especially at rush hour could be helpful. I have also been concerned about the possible development of land at the north end of Main Street. That seemed to come out of the blue, and it seemed like citizens' concerns were not truly listened to. Traffic would be significantly impacted there. What is happening with that? Overall I feel that the local government is transparent, but perhaps not always. This should never be in question. I love Mt Airy and am hopeful that its small town spirit lives well into the future. Thank you.
227	I believe that something should be considered for downtown is mixed- use development, ie make downtown livable. DO away with the old bank building once and for all, and build a new combination of service industries on the bottom level (cleaners, bank, coffee shop etc) with living spaces above (condo's, apartments). In the 10 years we have lived in Mt Airy very little about downtown has changed and there are very limited reasons to go there. So make it somewhere where people live, no just visit.



228	1. I would like to have Walmart turn into a Super Walmart 2. More Restaurants
229	more restaurants - Panera, Chik-fil-a, jimmy johns, turn Walmart into a super Walmart, add a Target!
230	I am concerned about two traffic intersections. Making a right hand turn from Twin Arch Rd onto Rt 27 is hazardous. Visibility is poor and traffic is often traveling over 50mph. I am also concerned about the intersections of Rt 27 and North Main St. It seems there are many accidents at both of these intersections. I do not mind additional housing development however; the recent development that I see in neighboring town is terrible. A huge densely packed housing community is an eye sore in a rural area. Thank you for the excellent response to the tornado damage! I could not have asked for better!
231	Q5 - A - Allow "Walmart" to upgrade the Mount Airy store Q6 -A - (Same as above 5A) Q4 -#3 - Remove street side parking along Main Street - too narrow for too much traffic - unsafe for pedestrians - encourage market experience - expand parking away from along street Q12 f - provide "public access" to police/fire statistics ie. incident/where/ date
232	Stop building -- Traffic is horrible; our "small town" is not so small --water pressure is not adequate --add working turning lights at Rt. 27/Watersville. Community center (YMCA) is needed!
233	I like that Mt. Airy has kept the "small town" feel, but some growth would certainly help tax wise. It's disappointing to see all of the empty buildings along Main St., Ridgeville, etc. Most everyone goes to downtown Frederick for shopping/dining & entertainment. I don't want the size of Frederick, but it would be nice when people come to visit to be able to shop & dine in Mt. Airy.
234	Restaurants with an emphasis on fresh ingredients would be great, like Panera. I would like to see fewer pizza places and replace them with restaurants with higher food quality, slightly more upscale atmospheres. I believe residential growth should be limited, due to the need for water conservation, definitely not apartment buildings. Thank you for requesting our input!
235	Our family loves living in Mt Airy. Thank you all for asking our opinion.
236	We moved to MTA for its rural, small town and historic qualities. I would be very disappointed to see it grow more. I absolutely hate Germantown and to overcrowded housing.
237	I would love to see all downtown Main Street get updated like the Laurienzo side. Parking needs to be improved. I would love to have a playhouse in town. A dinner theater would be very nice. We need a rec center with lots of activities, especially for the teens, to keep them active and busy. We need a large beautiful, park with a lake and lots of paths and trails, picnic and maybe camping areas. Something like Piney Run Park. We need to attract more wildlife... more trees and water. It looks like the Chick-fil-A is happening, but I would really prefer a Panera, Tropical Smoothie, and/or a Cabo Fish Taco, for more and healthier meal choices. And no "rest stop" type

	businesses that would attract a lot of out-of-town traffic. An art center for artists to work on, display, and see their crafts would be wonderful. Thank you for doing this.
238	More restaurants preferably not sorts bars. Maybe a wine bar in the old bank building on Main St! Need a Target near Tractor Supply & Lowes/ Home Depot. Then there isn't a need to go into Frederick especially with a Chick Fil A coming, also need a quality hotel - not the Budget Inn! Maybe a Fairfield Inn or Hampton Inn
239	I'm all for some growth but I do not want Mt. Airy to become overpopulated.
240	Keep the residential feel or will become a commercial gas stop off of US 40.
241	Hi. Please don't build another thing. If we want it or need it, we will drive to it or order it on Amazon. Let's keep the farmland and the cows. We have enough people.
242	Q 25 "depends on what happens next!" Q 22 "I agree with tear down and safer sidewalks - also fix the road for safer access to Main Street.
243	Where's the money coming from and who gets it?
244	I believe the arrow turning off Watersville Rd onto 27 S Needs to be turned on. Too many people rush the light trying to get in front of traffic from Watkins Park and the schools.
245	Keep up the good work representing all town residents. It is appreciated.
246	Smart growth is key. Be kind
247	There is a large parcel of property currently under development for a soccer complex and recreational area. While it has a Mt. Airy address, it is not located within the town proper. Has the town considered working with the property owner to potentially be involved in funding this facility and capturing the potential benefits of having this facility close to town?
248	Do not build any large-scale apartment buildings. Do not build any retail that would attract customers from outside our town
249	Mt Airy has a lot of potential and should look to the downtown Frederick MD/Carroll Creek revitalization as a motel for growth. We can retain the small town charm while also making this a place people would continue to live and move to. We raised our kids here, but they don't want to come back because it's so boring here. The downtown area could be great with some changes. Look to the future-sustainable practices-forward thinking! Walkable - Green- Sustainable
250	Need a place for dirt bikes and 4 wheeler so they will not ride on the roads
251	Need to keep dirt bikes and 4 wheelers off streets, so we need a park for them! Q2 Out door plaza
252	Lived in Columbia prior to moving here, too many homes, crime and traffic. Leave Mount Airy small rural setting.

253	I would like to see more police patrols of Nottingham.
254	As a resident of Mt Airy, I feel that we need to keep up with the trends of our society, in terms of our restaurants, shopping venues, and other entertainment options. This is what attracts others to our town.
255	I love the small town feel of Mt Airy and don't want big commercial business here. Too much traffic! People move here to get away from crime and traffic. Please keep Mt Airy's small town charm!
256	Police - rarely respond to non-emergency messages, local crime/drug concerns have gone unaddressed, believe department is under staffed very little presence in community. Failure to address dangerous traffic on Main St. and Rt. 27. Trash contractor is not following the early morning time constraints and frequently miss our house. Speeding commercial trucks on Rt. 27 must be addressed.
257	Most concerning is the amount of abandoned buildings on major roads in town. I've lived here for 12+ years and in that time Fleming Furniture on E Ridgeville Blvd and the First National Bank building on Main Street have been vacant eyesores. Now Pane e Vino and Greg's Driving School are empty. Why are these building owners allowed to just let these properties rot in place? It's embarrassing to have visitors come to town and see this. Please work with these owners to incentivize them and develop or better yet, sell. Oh and the weird half-built building next to Bank of America and Fleming is also strange. Why can't citizens find out more about the status of construction? And why weren't these buildings mentioned in the survey?
258	I would like to see a full size turf field multi-purpose especially for soccer and lacrosse. It should be a facility w/bleachers and lighting. Mt Airy has extraordinary youth athletes. We've noticed some instances of drug use and underage drinking at our parks. It would be great to patrol and secure those areas to help prevent this.
259	Q.13 comment regarding "town government cares what people like me think" - "I do not know."
260	We moved to Mt. Airy from Columbia because we didn't like all of the new developments, congestion and increase in crime. We are happy to see Mt. Airy expand, but are hesitant of it becoming another Columbia. A few new restaurants + stores would be nice but affordable housing, big new buildings, etc. will bring problems we left. We hope any expansions will be done very conservatively + without losing the small town charm.
261	Thank you for this opportunity! Love Mt Airy!
262	Q1 MD taxes are too expensive. Q2 checked sense of safety and schools. Q 3 checked rec facilities, shopping, and employment - especially limited for those with higher education. Q 4 "the downtown is looking very run down and depressed and has too many vacant storefronts. Also a parking nightmare. Particularly for families with children. We rarely go downtown because of these things. Q6 None of our family lives in MD it is frustrating they have to stay in a hotel 30 minutes away when visiting us. Q8 what I don't see on this list is an indoor community/rec center/multipurpose

	facility. Q 18 while we love the schools we have been disappointed in the lack of community amenities and cost of living. We plan to move to a small town outside of Raleigh NC in a couple of years where we will have better access to amenities and cheaper living. Q23 downtown does not need more/larger buildings. It needs ones already there to be renovated so they aren't an eye sore!
263	You guys did a fantastic job putting together this survey and deciding on the questions. It was especially helpful to put in the background info on the last few questions! Thanks for your hard work!
264	- No matter what - the Harrison Leishear property is going to happen. Let's annex it, control what we can and secure the tax from it. They will be using our resources and infrastructure anyway. -The oldest section in Nottingham needs attention to the streets. The next oldest section is starting down that path. The town needs - should publish asphalt pleas for roads. - I love police, not a fan of our own department. They cannot be everywhere - but it seems they are not where they need to be when needed proactively. Their visibility during busy shopping times was not very good. - The cars MAPD use should be free of window tint. We want to see our officers, but the tint makes it appear they do not want us to see them. Tint seems to void any true community policing thoughts. They say it, but don't act it.
265	Existing retail stores need facelifts, as opposed to new commercial expansion. The Food Lion and Weis shopping centers could use improvements. I see large commercial expansion as a threat to Mt. Airy. Part of what people value here is the small town atmosphere. This is a big reason for example why we chose to live here vs Eldersburg/Sykesville. Our Family would pay a tax premium in order to keep the small town feel of Mt. Airy.
266	I like having our own police force. I really like Mt Airy, but we won't retire in Maryland because of taxes
267	I still don't know why we have our own police department. Can we return them? I never saw the state police sitting around in parking lots
268	We moved to Mt Airy in hopes the town would develop with additional retail and restaurants. I believe with the correct type of retail/restaurant development it could be a great town. I also believe good parks (up to date), trails and recreational facilities would benefit the town. Overall I feel the town is trying to grow in the right direction. I believe change and growth could only benefit the town
269	Chick Fil A, Panera, Small Mom and Pop restaurants, Super Walmart
270	Rumored wawa not needed. We have a ton of gas stations. 5 gas stations in a small radius is enough
271	Keep drugs out of McDonalds parking lots. Always see ambulances there from overdoses. Flat Iron bldg - Area for judges stand/check-in for all Main St. parades and activities. HL Property - Use to pay fire tax when career staff come into county. Not a real con if their increased tax revenue covers or exceeds this cost. Activities in the area for teenager/young adults are extremely lacking. Aside from the bowling alley

	(which is limited when leagues are running) there is no place for them to go after sunset, during inclement weather and the winter months. Everything is over 20 minutes or more drive.
272	Activities for teenagers & young adults are extremely limited. This must be addressed urgently. Affordable housing should also be sure to attract a good character therefore standards for any such affordable housing should be clearly defined & enforced. Everyone deserves the right to affordable housing but it should not be at the compromise of increased crime. For example, as standard to include would be any drug convictions leads to immediate eviction. Regarding the Iron Bldg - perhaps memorialize it for those who are extremely sentimental about it by allowing them to buy a brick for a very small price, \$20 or less. Use the funds to create a park bench cleared area. Use the space for town events as the starting point. Maybe consider placing a time capsule, allow people to submit memories in writing to be placed in the capsule. Sometimes you need to let go of the past to move forward.
273	As our town grows I understand the need for a larger police force. However, I do not need our current force taking radar and stops at stop signs.
274	Connection to Center street and crossing 27 safely would be huge!!
275	I welcome all ideas for improving our town and moving forward :)
276	I strongly support the Mt. Airy Police Department, and I was very happy when the town created the department. Please keep the small town feel of Mt. Airy.
277	Thank you for conducting the survey. As lifelong residents we are often unable to attend town meetings due to the challenges of being a business owner / parent, etc.
278	Carroll County isn't forward thinking enough regarding the needs of the younger generations becoming adults.
279	We need more options for internet service.
280	Would love a Target to be built! Otherwise I enjoy the parks and open spaces we have! I was born and raised and still work in Columbia and I hate the direction it has gone! Way too overgrown and overpopulated. This is the main reason I chose to move to Mt. Airy! I would hate to see it turn into Columbia!
281	What happened to the community center idea? Sports indoor complex. Outdoor stage/theater - on old skate park?
282	Mt Airy is a great place to live and raise a family. Concerns: Empty buildings on Main St - have heard that rent is too high. Recycling - Have heard much of recycled material ends up in land fill because of cross contamination - has this been studied?
283	Would love Target or Chick-fil-A. Love this town- truly, but this is not somewhere I will ever get a job.
284	We love the small town, quiet atmosphere that Mount airy affords us as we raise our family. We'd love to continue with that in mind as we consider the future growth of

	the town.
285	I understand folks appreciate the historic value of the Flat Iron Building, but most people I know here in Mount Airy would rather have more space or something useful in its place. It would be really nice to have an open plaza and more retail space. Maybe another restaurant.
286	Walmart is insufficient for our large retail needs. Too many irrelevant businesses (i.e. mattress stores, liquor stores), not enough high demand (i.e. ethnic food, health food stores). Landscaping in public areas is subpar. Too much unkempt foliage, rickety light posts, old asphalt, etc. Downtown revival is too slow. Force the old bank to reopen as a restaurant/retail! Spend resources grooming and opening natural areas to the public (wildlife paths, etc). More sidewalk & jogging paths would be a game changer!
287	- Fix/paint water towers to enable clean/aesthetic look - Walmart is dirty and small, doesn't meet needs of community. Another store would be desired - Target - Fix/improve existing buildings/areas - via better landscaping, nice lamp posts, make the old bank into a restaurant/store to help revive Main St. - Nature parks/walking trails, paths are greatly desired - Require people to take care of their property - no junk cars/equipment that sits - no hoarding! Makes property look horrible
288	I've lived here for 19 1/2 years and do not want it to become liberal Montgomery County. I do not want subsidized housing or public transportation as that only brings drugs, crimes and danger to a community.
289	Grow or Die
290	Look at communities that are successfully managing growth and improvement that add value to people's lives - Downtown Frederick? Sustainability Walking/hiking trails Supporting business that adds economic growth Mt Airy has a lot of charm but needs to think about the future and what it wants to be known for be a leader in sustainability growth that makes people want to visit and live
291	1. The town should purchase more open space for parks with paved trails and nature trails. The town has very little "natural" parkland. 2. The town should build/purchase a rec center so kids and adults can take classes without driving 20-30 minutes. The rec center could also have open basketball nights. Rec center classes are an affordable option for Mt Airy citizens. 3. Need more basketball (indoor) courts. How can our kids compete with other areas when we get 1 practice a week (due to no courts being available), while the other kids get 3 practices a week.
292	I think Mt Airy could use the services of a professional urban planner. Please redesign Main Street as it is extremely dangerous to walk and park there. You need large sidewalks and parking. I don't care if you have to tear down half the buildings. There are many vacant buildings in town and one building someone is clearly living in. Someone is living in the brick building on E Ridgeville Blvd next to Bank of America, they drive a white small pickup truck. I will be notifying the county of this violation.
293	It is my opinion that with continued residential growth our intersections will become

	unsafe. Ex. Additional cars with the new development off of Back Acre and the intersection of Twin Arch & 27. This town needs to retain the small town charm. Focus on filling the commercial space we already have. Possibly provide spaces for teens. Removal of the skate park took away a teen activity space.
294	A chick-fil-a in Mount Airy would be extremely beneficial. Along with that, a movie theater would also be beneficial.
295	1. Drug problems in subdivisions is awfully bad. Along with underage alcoholic problems at night - weekends and in the afternoon breaking glass in the pool parking lot.
296	Love living in Mount Airy! Thank you for the opportunity to complete the survey and have my voice heard.
297	Maryland and Mt. Airy taxes too high. Cannot afford to retire here. We are going to move out soon. Beautiful place to raise a family. Small town charm. Keep it that way!
298	Route 27 is way too dangerous. We need lower speed limits, potentially more stop lights.
299	H-L Property: I do not believe the county IDA will provide a good product. The town can get the well and park land, but the IDA needs the public water/sewer to avoid well/septic.
300	Q25: Seems stagnant but hopeful that change is coming - a lot of talk - little actions in almost 20 years. Q2 These were: rural setting; sense of safety; location; municipal services. Q 3 they checked items rather than ranked. These were: traffic; recreational facilities; shopping-entertainment.
301	We moved to Mt Airy to raise our kids in a rural/quiet community. We do not want to see any more commercial or residential growth. More growth takes away from the enjoyment, quiet place of living in a small town community
302	The town's top quality should be recycling and helping the environment in any way possible.
303	Question 13 - "Water Bill Outrageous" Question 14 - "County vs town rules conflicted when installing yard fence"
304	I think it's important to keep the small town feel of Mt Airy.
305	Q21 comment- whatever it takes to clean up the eye-sore as quickly as possible
306	I appreciate the opportunity to participate in a questionnaire. Thank You
307	Soccer fields need aerated and fertilized.
308	I answered "Right Direction" in question #23. However, slow progress going forward would easily change my answer.
309	I think cleaning up, restoring, and using the areas and buildings we have currently is a

	great idea. I am not a big fan of new, larger development. I don't want us to lose the small town feel and grow too much. I prefer to shop at the bigger stores outside of our town.
310	Tear it down old buildings. Downtown old trashy buildings tear down
311	I think for Mt. Airy to keep its charm and appeal as a family friendly community, growth & building has to be kept at a slow or steady pace (do not over develop). That being said, I think new family friendly developments like recreation space or like a mini golf could help boost appeal of the town & keep families here. It would be great to have additional dining options as well. Our family loves the community events!
312	Q. 16 regarding town council "Jason lives in our neighborhood and offers insight when asked on the community board" Thanks for taking the time to conduct a survey. I hope you get a variety of responses and not just a vocal minority. Good luck, and thank you! If there are options to explore other cable and internet providers, I would love to see more choices. In our neighborhood it's frustrating that Comcast is the only option. I also wish we could get DC news / local programming, not Baltimore. We are in the Nottingham neighborhood.
313	Super Walmart More small businesses (restaurants)
314	thank you for sending a survey to the young adults of the town
315	I am concerned about traffic safety on route 27 and in the Nottingham neighborhood. The intersection at 27 and Twin Arch Rd and also the intersection of Main St and 27 need to be improved. There are too many accidents at these locations. The south intersection of Kings Forest Trail and Locksley Lane needs improvement. There are too many cars parked on the street causing a blind curve along with people not stopping at the stop signs. On top of this there are homes with cars parked in the driveways that block the sidewalks. Can the police department enforce a rule that no cars should block a sidewalk and limit how many cars can be parked in the street?
316	We need additional restaurants (steakhouse). Keep English as "first language" - no need to have changes occur on documentation distributed by county!
317	My vision for future Mt. Airy is a wonderful indoor/outdoor sports complex on Harrison-Leishar property. Something of this nature is greatly needed here for our growth. I also envision the expansion of Center St to connect Rt 27 to Main, which should expand the downtown feel with a fabulous mixed use area, providing more shopping and restaurants, keeping more of our community's revenue in Mt Airy. I'd love to see our already fabulous downtown become more accessible for all, and adding stores and restaurants will draw more people to see amazing small town charm! Thank you for all your hard work in making Mt. Airy a wonderful place to live!
318	I love the quiet community, but growth is inevitable. Therefore having plans for the future makes sense. Keep our identity but bring this town into the present day with employment options for the residents and better commercial options.
319	I do NOT want to see happen to Mt Airy that has happened to Damascus and is



	happening in many communities surrounding our great town. That is overdevelopment... I do not want hundreds of new homes with an abundance of low income or affordable housing units. I do not want mass transit running up and down route 27 I do not want more stores, shops, or shopping centers. My family and I chose Mt Airy to be our home because it does not have those things. That is what makes it great and special. If I want or need something I can pretty much get it here in town. If I can't get something here, I can drive 30 minutes or less in almost any direction and have access to any and everything our town is lacking. I understand the financial benefits that come with development but it comes at a price that will completely change our community in my opinion for the worse. Total cost to benefit analysis is not a win/ win for Mt Airy. PLEASE do not change our great town. Thank you.
320	Thank you for requesting this input. Growth can hurt but it is a necessary part of life. If done with thoughtful consideration Mt Airy will continue to grow and prosper in a smart way. Thank you
321	I have heard that most recycling becomes trash because of the cross contamination in single stream recycling programs. Is Mt Airy looking into changing our recycling program to sort recyclables?
322	This idea has come up in the past and in the past town survey, but a community center would benefit the town. As with a shortage of ball fields, there are a limited number of gyms in and around the town for the various sports leagues to use. Incorporate ?? plans into the Harrison- Leishar master plan.
323	1) definitely would like to see a biking path - walking path trail connecting Nottingham to downtown 2) 27 is very a very busy road - many accidents weekly - would help to have lanes for turning extended into Nottingham - also ? traffic calmers for Watersville between Knills farm and neighborhoods 3) we do not need a skate park - we could use a movie theater. everyone could use this 4) tornado warning system - our phones do not work
324	1) walking/bike bath to connect Nottingham to downtown and ???/schools 2) The town should not compete with private enterprises example - community center run by town competing with swim clubs 3) Support local businesses and large retailers 4) Improve professional business ability to locate in mt airy (office or light industry) 5) Maintain current town character & atmosphere - this is a great place to live
325	I think the main threat would be too much development and traffic. Of course limited controlled development is probably needed for jobs/ taxes.
326	I am very concerned about drug use and would like to see more programs that are close by for abusers (not driving to Westminster or Frederick) I would like better shopping opportunities in town, Walmart and Home Goods don't cut it. I would like a much longer rails to trails than from Watkins Park to Downtown. More wooded flat natural areas.
327	When the Harrison Leishear property is developed PLEASE keep access roads all off of Route27 Watersville Road is narrow and as it is traffic backups causing pollution as the light at 27is not long enough especially during school times and rush hour. The town

	desperately needs somewhere for 18-20 year olds to gather and socialize. Keep gun shops out of residential neighborhoods please. Automatic weapons should NEVER be sold by school bus stops.
328	Teens and young adults have little to do in the evening and night in town, as all "hang allow out" areas are closed at night. I recommend considering a club like building, as this would allow us to have something to do without driving to Baltimore, DC or Columbia just for entertainment.
329	I would love to see Main Street be more pedestrian friendly. Take note of small cities in Germany, where parking areas are strategically farther away from cafes and pedestrian areas. Traffic on main street makes outdoor seating no fun - so much noise. Would love to see cobblestones on Main St. Slows traffic & adds character.
330	Need cameras at Twin Arch. Too many accidents.
331	I am most concerned with the intersection of Twin Arch and 27. So many accidents and lots of families driving to daycare/activities on Back Acre Circle. Would like to see an assessment performed to resolve the high rate of accidents there. Perhaps a traffic circle, who knows!
332	Keep English as the first Language, better restaurants
333	Between the Nottingham Community and rt 27, alongside Waterville Rd there needs to be a sidewalk /bike route lane with a guard rail type barrier for pedestrians. There is an increase in the number of joggers & bikers on Waterville Rd (a 2 lane rd), and it's become increasingly more dangerous. Also, you should ask an easy question to all residents of Mt Airy: when you go outside of my airy what do you spend your money on? Is it restaurants, shopping, entertainment, etc? Then you will know what the residents of mt airy are spending their money on that could stay within town.
334	We need more sports fields so families don't have to go outside of Mt Airy. We need adequate parking for these fields so we can park legally and safely get our families to the fields. We need to support established businesses who serve Mt Airy families such as Center Stage. Adequate parking is again needed. Traffic on 27 is becoming increasingly more dangerous, adding more homes will only make this worse. Twin Arch & Watersville intersections are nightmares at certain times of the day.
335	Mt Airy is very expensive for older people to love in. I am a widow, 82 years old and I pay more taxes than anyone else on the block. My home has fewer square feet. I don't understand why you are forcing me out of the community. My yard is the best on the block and I cut my own grass and rake leaves, shovel my show, and the truck that shovels the streets plows the snow back in my driveway. Now much help for a senior.
336	Mt Airy is missing out on taxable income worth? The each of commercial development. I love coming home to a safe, clean, and family environment, but I have grown weary of traveling to Frederick and Howard Counties for better retail, recreational, and dining opportunities. The commute to work along with the activities have us questioning and searching for other residential communicates with more

	amenities.
337	I would love to see the Main St area grow with more shops and restaurants, not banks and commercial businesses like the karate and copy centers We need retail shops
338	I like the small town feel of Mount Airy
339	I've lived here my entire adult life and am raising my kids here. I would love to see better parking on Main and more store options for home and gifts. We also need more diverse food. It's all Italian and pizza. A salad place would not kill us. I do not want to see more neighborhoods coming in. Would love to see an indoor ice rink or skating rink or something for older kids to do.
340	Improve the non-vehicle option for travel in/ around Mt Airy such as paths, trails, bike lanes, and connecting neighborhoods to parks town shopping etc. Provide safe means for kids to cross route 27 into Watkins Park Area. Add Bike roads downtown into shopping area
341	Mt Airy PD have no presence in the evening it seems - why not? When I called about an incident it had to routed to Frederick sheriff. Ridiculous. Also, what are you doing about the bank building at the corner of Main and Prospect. Seems like a waste just to sit there.
342	The town needs to make changes to the very dangerous intersection of Twin Arch and 27 as well as build a bypass to avoid the Twin Arch shopping center to aid in better traffic control.
343	Bring a decent place for out of town guests to stay.
344	We need Chick Fil A, Panara Bread, Main Street Brewery etc Just some more commercial restaurant options
345	1. The young adults need more safe places to go and be kids. 2. We need more fields for all sports. 3. Develop Center St and connect to 27.
346	I think the town needs to decide whether it wants to be a bustling urban center or a quaint quiet bedroom community. My attraction to it was the latter, so I don't share the urge to bring jobs and commercial development. We have literally the best TJMAXX-Homegoods in all of Maryland (I know people who drive 1.5hrs for it), and every kind of restaurant except Indian. The jobs, the hustle, and the attendant stresses are down in the city DC it's currently lovely to come home to peace and quiet. The town is getting built out (residential now construction) like crazy-I really don't think it is in any danger of dying. The growing (I would assume) population will naturally attract any needed businesses- right now we have literally everything one could want in a town, more will come naturally it (population/size) demands it, I'm just not sure it's something to worry about, or to try to force.
347	We want a WAWA, but that's it. The recycling program is uneconomical. Flat Iron - Leaning toward tearing it down. Put a statue there of a famous person from Mount Airy. I'd rather not see a lot of business development. I like the small town feel. The only business I'd welcome is the WAWA. The traffic lights on Route 27 by 84 Lumber

	are not timed together. Would like to make it through those 3 traffic lights and not sit at 3 lights in a row. Do not want a community center. No public transportation. No section 8. Please don't waste our money on stuff like the caboose. There are homeless people here that need attention (on occasion). Is there a tornado plan in place? Fire siren alert? Do we need a tornado siren? There have been too many tornadoes in our area.
348	#23: Mt. Airy is treading water, not doing anything. The downtown is a ghost town compared to when I was a child here.
349	Thank you very much
350	Stated out in Baltimore City, Baltimore Co, Montgomery Co, Howard Co, Now Carroll next? Too much growth and concentration is not always wise.
351	Elementary schools revamped / reorganized if growth occurs - unique with more than 1 county represent. Q 2 family oriented, sense of safety, small town, community pride.
352	Police should hold public training for personal safety crime prevention. Personal defense by way of clinics and gatherings. Police presence in public places is not necessary and detracts from the character of our town, Don't hang out in public with lights on for no reason. If not on a call stay out of the public eye.
353	1) Put a stop light at Main St. and Prospect Rd. 2) Put a stop light at Rising Ridge Rd and Prospect Rd. 3) Start enforcing the speed limits on Prospect Rd 4) Tear down old F&M bank building before it collapses. Fine the owner for its dilapidated condition. Put in a parking lot and eliminate street parking on Main St. 5) Stop the Comcast monopoly in Mt. Airy. Get some viable choices. Stop charging a franchise fee.
354	This town suffers from "analysis paralysis." This survey is just the latest example. you know what needs to be done. Do it. How many surveys plans vision statements do you need? These plans etc just pass the buck and kick the can down the road. For example, I've lived in Mt Airy for over ten years. The Bank building was abandoned when I moved in and it's still abandoned. It is a lack of creative vision that allows the Bank building to be vacant all these years. Ditto for the Flat Iron Building. Ditto for Center Street. Ditto for no parking on Main Street. The Town Council should earn its pay and do something instead of conducting another survey.
355	#8 - We have plenty, some parks used more than others Lat Iron - I think it's too costly to do anything but tear down and give the space to parking with a memorial plaque near the site. Going forward we need to consider all aspects of a decision. Specifically traffic impact. We cannot be an ostrich with head in sand and not expect impacts. We have lost the small town feel and mainly are stuck in a position of trying to resurrect a small town feel. There are a lot of Main St and other streets where (building and lane) are not kept nicely. Appearance is everything. South and North coming into town from 27 there is considerable amount of trash along the road including abandon furniture. Please address parking on streets Midway Ave is very busy w ambulance service to and from Lorien. Lookout Ave is very crowded.

356	Well hello I think if you are gonna make rules and laws for everyone they should apply to everyone just not me. Because I cannot park my company truck on the road or I will get a ticket or a fine because of one woman's complaint. But if you ride around the rest of the neighborhoods in Nottingham, the Woodlands, Summit Ridge you will see plenty of company trucks parked on the road. Why me?
357	Take down Flat Iron Bldg Bring on Chick-fil-A "" WaWa
358	#3 - Need theaters (film & stage) Need anchor on Main St. (bank bldg) YMCA Need public transport options to get to Baltimore & DC #6 - I think Mt. Airy could use a smallish hotel that fits w/ its historic charm and character, not a large chain. #7 - Apt complex implies large sprawling, which most people in Mt. Airy will oppose. Apartments interspersed with other types of housing or with retail, mixed use would be a positive addition. Single family semi-detached would be a good option. More affordable but only attached on one side - preferable to townhouses. Can also be more easily interspersed with other housing types. #12 - I usually think of community policing as cops out of cars, walking thru neighborhoods so they get to know people. Is that being done? #15 - I don't understand why Town Council has allowed the bank bldg to remain vacant so long with apparently no repercussions to the owner. The town should be fining the owner. Has Eco. Dev. Comm. come up with ideas? That building could be the driver of Eco Dev. downtown, instead of negatively impacting downtown as it's done for years. #21 - The Town Council's apparent belief that it can't resolve the Bank Bldg (Q15) or its pure inertia about it is the primary reason I disagree with selling (or giving??) the Flat Iron Bldg to a private entity. No enforcement & no accountability.
359	How much money is being spent on the police dept?
360	My concern is the parking of cars on Main Street. There should be no parking going out of town from the Flat Iron building going down the hill out of town, it is dangerous. It is hard to drive thru there the cars go over center line. It makes it hard driving thru there. There have been a number of mirrors knocked off of cars and trucks. It is dangerous for people getting in and out of cars.
361	I would like to see Main Street improvement, get rid of parallel parking spots on Main Streets. more restaurant options (Indian, Thai, Mexican). Will someone please open a coffee shop downtown? :) Also, keep Prospect Park cleaner.
362	Harrison - Leishear property if developed should be mixed use restaurant and professional offices. DO NOT DEVELOP FOR INDUSTRY.
363	We need a theater & something else inside like another bowling ally or billiards for inside entertainment when poor weather. Do more advertising for the places that do provide inside entertainment like the escape room + golf + diners behind Health Unlimited.
364	#6 - Movies for young people #8 - Pool - open to public Better safety for children crossing the crosswalks at schools. Continue to keep police in action to stop drugs coming to our area. Public pool would be great for people to have a place to take their children & affordable for families. Love Mt. Airy have lived here my entire life -

	quiet & safe town.
365	NO MORE GROWTH, NO MORE GROWTH I do not feel this will do anything. You are going to do what you want the town is over developed and getting worse This town will be ruined just like Urbana and New Market if you don't stop developing.
366	Mount Airy used to be a small town where you could feel at home. You knew your neighbors. I feel like it is being built up in such a way that it is bringing in too much traffic and people. I wish a small town could stay that way.
367	My main concern is speeding on Main Street and loud exhaust cars and pickup trucks - day and night. I've seen cars bounce off curbs and telephone poles at Church Street. It can be dangerous backing out of driveways. I don't know what's going to happen when we have to cross the street to get our mail and who's going to get ice off sidewalks and help cross street? No crosswalks or anything. Old people can't walk as good as we used too. Plus the hill.
368	Could use handicap parking near Mt Airy liquor-Mattress store
369	Downtown needs to be your focus. Look other small towns like Winchester Va & Berlin MD and even Shepherdstown where a bank became a restaurant. Our downtown is SAD- has little to draw people there.
370	I do not want to see my small town commercialized or built up like Germantown has become. I would love to see a small movie theater or other indoor entertainment venue. I hope there has been a traffic survey for the proposed chic fil a. Their drive-thrus are always backed up - when busy, they could have 20 or more cars in line!
371	I will be 99 years old this coming August and moved to the Lorien assisted living facility in Feb of this year to be close to son (lives in Damascus) for whatever time I have left. Mt. Airy is a beautiful area and while very different than Salisbury (my previous location) could be promoted as a "retirement area."
372	Road planning
373	Over population without infrastructure (roads, water)
374	I would like to suggest repainting the lines on Back Acre Circle to all for a drop off lane at the dance studio. This is a topic that doesn't get nearly enough recognition. When approaching it from a business and safety aspect, the current signs are not a sensible solution.
375	My family and I just moved to Summit Ridge a couple years ago. We have a 4year and 2 year old boys. They love to play at the playground in our neighborhood. Only thing I can really see we need is a newer playset for children. The one we currently have is in pretty bad shape.
376	I would really rather we don't have more large home communities. Industrial parks will take away from the charm that draws people to Mt Airy. I would like to see more of the towns history preserved, shared, and taught. Don't make us look like Eldersburg, Westminster, or Frederick. Keep the small hometown feel and charm that

	drew many of us to mt airy in the first place.
377	Infrastructure planning
378	Traffic on South Main is dangerous to those who must cross to get to mailboxes. It is also dangerous to those who make turns to enter driveways or attempt to exit a driveway. Drivers drive very fast on the road in two directions making it even more difficult for foot traffic to cross.
379	My concern is that the town is looking to grow too quickly and not managing to control growth to a slow, smart and sustainable level. One only needs to look at New Market or Eldersburg for explosive growth that has destroyed the small town feel and turned them into cities.
380	1 a) I don't have children and am very detached from that lifestyle here. b) Similar comment to a) above. I work for Potomac Edison and my department is involved with designing changes to the electrical grid for the purpose of accepting both residential and commercial growth. I am horrified by the level of growth I see in the residential sector around New Market, Frederick, Urbana, Linganore, etc. I have worked on design aspects for Linganore Town Center, East Church/Nicodemus, Woodridge of Linganore, Riverside, and a number of others. Every time my daily tasks bring me to one of these sprawling new subdivisions I am sickened by the thought of adding so many people to our small quaint corner of the state. Whatever Mt. Airy decides to do in the future, please please PLEASE work to keep residential growth to a minimum. I fear that in the next 5-or-so years the "feel" of Frederick is going to much more resemble that of Germantown to Gaithersburg. I will mourn Frederick's loss of accessibility as up to 15,000+ new residential units become inhabited by new families, and hope the sprawl will not find its way into my quiet, beautiful town. Thank you for your time!
381	I'm very happy to see our MAPD around town! Gives a sense of security. I would like to see empty buildings used instead of building new ones. Growth needs to slow down. I don't want to lose the small town I've lived in since 1968.
382	I have lived in Mt Airy for 50 years and like the small town atmosphere - especially since retiring. I am not in favor of more housing taking up the remaining open space. I live adjacent to the Beck property and am very concerned by how it will be developed. I am against low income/high density housing which will detract from existing home values and attract crime. My development has already had 2 drug overdose deaths that I know of. It is not as nice a neighborhood as it once was. The traffic at Rt 27 intersections at Watersville Road and Park Ave is another concern. We cross these multiple times a day. Park Ave light is very short (4-5 cars usually), we have seen many near misses with cars running the light (in all directions) and also walkers crossing against the signal. Lastly our neighborhood is impacted by the increasing number of activities in the summer. Between Ridge swim club meets and carnival activities (fireworks, yard sale, etc.) every parking space on Beck Drive, Lewis, and David Cts is taken. They block mailboxes, almost driveways. If we had a gathering on the same day, our guests would have nowhere to park. Heaven forbid we had a fire or medical emergency. The Mt Airy police dept needs to do a better job of controlling traffic

	during these events.
383	I moved to Mount Airy because of the small town rural peaceful feel. We love the large old trees, historic feel as well. Any time family or friends come they comment on the peaceful historic look/feel. If more businesses or residential neighborhoods were to be built we would most likely move. The idea of low-income apartments/housing is ludicrous as it usually brings more crime and drugs to an area. The traffic in Mt Airy is OK but there are WAY too many lights. Traffic circles are so advantageous and lower accidents historically. Q14 they wrote in margin: "We like to have a family bonfire in our backyard and people like to call the police about it. We have a small fire pit.
384	On the question of Flat Iron, I suggest using money slated for its demolition to use towards refurbishment with possible inclusion in new addition in space occupied by Park Ave. Flat Iron is one of 5 original buildings in town and should be retained to keep the footprint and flavor to downtown area.
385	Less riff raff Less attraction to bring in riff raff (bars, banks, etc) Upscale events, wine tastings, golf, wine bar Better stores downtown to shop and see in/walk around same type shops, not karate, a bank, distillery, antique store, prom store...
386	I live on Paradise and walk my dog every morning & evening. there are often times I feel unsafe at the rate of speed people drive down my street. Basket hall court wildwood park. Nice black street lamps.
387	I think Mount Airy would benefit from a few more restaurant options like Panera, noodles & co, etc I live on Paradise Ave & would love to see something be done about speeding. We do not have sidewalks and sometimes feel unsafe walking down the street with my child. I think speed bumps would go a long way, especially since our road is a thru-way between Main St & Park Ave.
388	Stop squeezing in large, expensive homes. Enjoy the frequent family town events. I like the Farmers Market. Playgrounds need to be updated/more trails. No more gas stations or liquor stores. Would like to see more small businesses.
389	I would like to see Mt Airy, especially downtown, be more walkable. Some areas have little to no safe sidewalks wide enough for wheelchairs/strollers. Street crossings at the fairgrounds is extremely unsafe. This is a major concern, especially with the carnivals and 3rd of July fireworks. Considering the number of traffic accidents at the intersection of Park and 27, it's a miracle there hasn't been more pedestrian incidents.
390	A cross walk and signal add from Twin Arch Center to the fairgrounds should be added. That or have cross guards and traffic mgmt during town events/festival events. I enjoy events, but would like/ worry for safety of crossing 27 and Twin Arch with better safety controls more town locals would/may choose to walk and help avoid vehicle congestion Also I walk. Also, I would most like more added community parks and trails like the rails to trails. I believe this will be a nice improvement for residents and younger people
391	The priorities as I see them are to make a decision about the Flat Iron building and



	Center Street. As much as I favor keeping old buildings I think we need to be realistic. When the town purchased it many years ago it was to be demolished, I believe, because of its poor condition. The Traffic today and its proximity to the building has only exacerbated the problem, I'm sure.
392	I believe it is important to maintain the small town feel. Focus on Main Street & making it a destination to bring commerce in. You need lodging to support this - Bed & Breakfast small boutique hotel. The bank property on Main Street needs addressing. I'm surprised it was not part of this survey. More growth brings more crime & drugs.
393	Flat Iron Bldg -" Landmark for the town" Need police protection around the clock.
394	We moved here for the small town. We did not move here to try and recreate what we left.! It seems to me that's exactly what the imports are doing... with HOA's, houses on top of houses, etc. Work with the infrastructure we have, There are abandoned buildings but you're talking about building new communities, apts, condo's, townhomes and stores? STOP! We are losing our small town feel with all this building!!
395	#3 - "Getting too congested w/ building!!
396	question 6 - "Retail Appliance Store" - question 21 - "Restore this historic bldg. you have long neglected. You have the money. Preserve history or not say Historic town.
397	Be on top of crime Watch residential growth Don't lose small-town charm
398	I like how Mt Airy is a small quiet town. I do not want it to turn into every other town/city that has lots of shops businesses etc. We want to raise our kids here because of that feel. We also love the trees all around, and hope to see more planted.
399	- I am disappointed that vacant properties and community blight are not on this survey. Can we address the mess that used to be Dennis Kitchen & Bath? The stalled project next to Bank of America? The historic bank downtown? Who owns the vacant antique building in the parking lot? Can that be a site for the community center? The vacant Fleming Furniture building? Cold Storage site? Can the code enforcement office be more proactive, rather than waiting for complaints? - I've notice that the town workers sometimes (often) apply salt to side streets on top of accumulated when there is too much snow for the salt to melt. They later come by with the plow, plowing away the snow and the salt. Please plow first, then salt. The current method is ineffective and wastes time, money, and resources.
400	More downtown parking Stop hosting so many events downtown. Use the carnival grounds where there is plenty of parking and no impact on small businesses or Watkins part or somewhere else Community center, arcade, movie theatre (even just 1 screen or a drive in) - places like that where you can hang out without playing sports (like Question 8 on page 3), There is very little to do except eat and shop, Maybe a venue for small concerts, plays, art displays, etc. like the MET in Frederick?
401	What happened to talk of a community center? Wasn't that a platform of Mayor Rockinberg's re-election? If I or my child want to enroll in a Parks & Rec-style class

	(e.g. adult fitness, enrichment, etc.) we have to drive to Westminster or Frederick. What about using the vacant 'Antiques of Yesteryear' building in the municipal parking lot as a community center? Would be nice to have some non-athletic recreation opportunities for adults and children in Mt. Airy. I'm sure if Mt. Airy had a community center, Frederick and/or Carroll Co. Parks & Recreation Depts would be willing to work with us to schedule events.
402	Public transportation. Q11 "need to operate 24/7"
403	I would love consideration of a stop sign on Park Ave, where it connects w/Lookout Ave. People fly around the bend, run up the curbs, etc. It's not safe for those exiting their driveway or children/pets in the neighborhood. I also feel the ability to turn off Main St and Park Ave should be closed. I support connection of Center Street. I think we need more restaurants, esp of the ethnic persuasion. Lastly, more ways to meet people exp when new to town. That said I love all the events the town puts on. It's one of the reasons we moved here. But it has been hard meeting people due to the lack of advertising events or maybe I just don't know where to look. Don't get me wrong, I love Mt Airy,
404	Stop sign at the intersection of Lookout and Park Avenue (at the very least a speed hump) & closure of Park from Main St.
405	I live and work on Park Ave and have safety/traffic concerns already, especially for pedestrians as drivers speed and do not yield to pedestrians. I am concerned about traffic/safety with new road/building developments in the downtown area. I also feel the development of new neighborhoods are starting to over populate our area to the point where our roads can't handle the traffic and school's are over populated. I hate to see "modern" changes going in on Main St-it ruins the charm and culture of the downtown Main St area.
406	I live on Park Ave and I'm concerned with the "connection". Park Ave already has enough traffic and I would think this road will make matters much worse
407	With respect to the last two questions regarding the flat iron building and Harrison-Leishear property, it was hard for me to find information on the mountairymd.org website.
408	Mt Airy needs a rec center. Not only would it give kids a safe place, but it could also have basketball courts and a field. It could hold summer camps, before and after school activities. Provide jobs for older students. Check out Montgomery County rec centers and the benefits. Would be great to have in Mt Airy.
409	Noise is a concern going forward (and a relatively recent development). Between the truck diesel exhaust, race car exhaust, and Geyer's towing, the level of noise in the town has increased and is affecting lives of community members. These issues must be addressed locally. Thank you. The fact that it is allowed to continue is furthering the spread of exhaust noise.
410	I think a rec center or a place for kids to have basketball and different sports, a place to practice. We need more ball fields to accommodate all the teams. More walking

	and bike paths would be nice.
411	Mount Airy has so much to offer and keeping it a "small town" is crucial to keeping our town special. I think limiting growth is necessary to protect the community and its unity. Please do now allow corporate companies to build here such as WaWa, Royal Farms, Chick Fil A, etc. This will not help the small businesses and will only cause more issues such as traffic and travelers coming off Rt 70 that aren't thinking of our towns best interests. Also, limiting development of land keeps our town "small" and keeps it beautiful. I love that we are in a country town and would hate to see it become what Urbana has become. We love Mt Airy. Thank you for all you do.
412	Would like to see responsible housing for seniors with only living on SS Help to make Mt Airy a very good place to retire
413	The old apartments off 27 needs great attention! Drug use and sales. and code violations not addressed. Needs something done for these people. They are low income majority of them because rent is so high here but they should not pay the price!!
414	Right or wrong direction - I don't know! I don't have a long personal history in Mt. Airy, but I do plan to raise my family here and put down deep roots for my kids. I believe that any change considered by the town should be measured by the impact it would have on the safety and ... of the community. Traffic considerations should be measured ... especially downtown. I already find the Main St. / Prospect Rd intersection difficult. Any additional development downtown or on Main St without installing a light there would concern me greatly. One thing I like about Mt Airy is it's small-town feel. I don't want it to get too big. I am practical enough to know that change is inevitable and to believe that property awareness rights should be respected. But I hope I won't see Mt Airy become something it's not. If I wanted to live in a highly developed suburb, I would have settled somewhere else.
415	I do not think Mt Airy need to expand out, There is plenty of unused space with the current limits for expansion, The biggest issue I have is the traffic between 70 West and Long corner. The timing for the light at Exon and the light at Pennshop need to be longer or have a specific setting for peak traffic times, this would help to keep traffic flowing better. In addition to that, the dead end road by the Shell station on 27/44 should be extended to Long corner, better utilizing the left turn lane and preventing traffic from shopping on 27 because of people turning on the current entrance to 27. Another issue is the lack of affordable apartments. I believe it is a good idea to include more apartments as long as it remains for people already living on the community, a lot of people in my age group still live with their parents because nothing in this area is affordable or available. I work in Gaithersburg and take classes at FCC so Mt Airy is in a perfect location. Also, if the apartments are made available for people outside of this county traffic in the town will continue to worsen, Hopefully my ideas are taken into consideration these surveys should be conducted more frequently
416	We like the fact that Mt Airy "doesn't" have public transportation. Let's keep it that

	way!
417	22- sports fields/sports plex moved to Mt Airy for the amount of open land and houses and jobs are not right on top of each other. Love the small town feel.
418	My wife and I moved here for the small town atmosphere. Growing too fast or a surge in population/traffic would certainly make us consider leaving.
419	Very disappointed in the atmosphere - convenience, attitude of population, town events too crowded - not well planned, no interesting shops downtown, not a fun town to visit or bring relatives to explore. Follow the model of Ellicott City or Frederick! Town events are well planned. E.C. has a clean public access city pool. People and merchants are friendly there! We can barely get cable or internet access - someone needs to get Verizon or Comcast to commit to the town residents! I am a teacher and am willing to work in the summers, for a reasonable salary
420	More police presence at Watkins Parks. I walk there a lot and it seems to be shady activity in the parking lots. Main Street and Prospect Rd, people speeding creates a danger when trying to cross the road. New crosswalks would be a great addition. Building and parking lots at the corner of Main St and Prospect Rd are an eye-sore. Would love to see it cleared up
421	I would prefer the traffic pattern on Park and N. Main to be fixed the wind blows the mirror and it's hard to turn onto main - I would like to see the bank property renovated and turned into a restaurant/brewery or something that would draw me to walk downtown. It's an eyesore. - Walking downtown isn't safe and it isn't logical. I would like to see the sidewalks to be larger on the side with Cryin' Johnnies. - I would love to see an open space area with grass and a place where bands could play. This would help to boost downtown commerce. - There is a lack of healthy food options in town. I would love to see a Panera or Cava instead of fast food. - Thank you for doing this survey. It is nice that you asked for input. - I do not care about the Flat Iron building. It should be torn down to fix the traffic pattern.
422	- The lack of healthy food choices needs to be addressed - The abandoned bank on main street is an eye sore. Please demo and put in green space for concerts. - I'd like to see more small business downtown. - Traffic safety on Main Street is terrible. The mirror blows in the wind. - Expand walking paths to be more logical.
423	Traffic speeding, parking fixing damaged water leaks exposed sewer cap. Broke telephone poles. Broke sidewalks. Damaged by others. tax payer! Long time resident! mailbox being shut! (after received) poor sidewalks, over grown shrubs, trees, etc.
424	What the residents of Mt Airy LOVE about this town is the small town living. I do not want to see it become over developed and therefore lose its small town charm.
425	#3 Sorry I love everything Lived here 30 years #12 Auto break ins #14 1) item Parking in residential neighborhoods driving snowstorms no emergency route N/A All is great
426	Q.6 - "I do not see the need for any additional businesses." Q.10 - "What happened

	<p>with the home invasion a few months ago?" I have lived in Montgomery County the last 42 years. I moved to Mt. Airy 1.5 years ago. One of the reasons I moved here was because of the crime in Gaithersburg. (30 minutes from here) My daughter while walking her dog off Montgomery Village Ave saw a shooting &amp; called police. There have been shootings where at least one person died on Montgomery Village Ave. I had no problem having section 8 housing in the neighborhood I lived in until I found out a drug dealer lived there. In fact I lived off Snouffer School Rd and 4 drug dealers lived there! They were not very successful drug dealers because they lived with their moms, but I still saw them out my kitchen window in the middle of the road selling drugs to people that came in cars. One of the drug dealers threatened to call the 18 year old across the street because he owed him money. One drug dealer was arrested for rape. Also, my neighbor a few doors down 10 year old started a fire in the bathroom at Goshen Elementary School where my granddaughter went to school. I help people less fortunate than me with my time &amp; money. I really do not want to see Mt Airy get low income housing or buses because with it comes crime &amp; drugs. I love all people, but I want my grandchildren to be safe.</p>
427	<p>I was not overly familiar with the Flat Iron building until taking this survey. Not taking action on an unusable building. Or worse yet putting money into updates that would serve no real purpose is foolish. Not to mention the intersection of Main St &amp; Park Ave is a very dangerous blind spot. Please make the necessary updates to this area which will undoubtedly help the community as a whole. Thanks!</p>
428	<p>More involvement in drug and alcohol countermeasure programs. #14 - Yes, "Waste of time." I think the town is doing a great job at providing recreational activities for children of the community. Also family activities - schools and library give them many opportunities - as walking paths i.e., Rails to Trails and the groups Need to keep improvements "simple" - downtown starting to look like another "Georgetown."</p>
429	<p>Prospect Road (Prospect Speedway) especially in the area from Main St. to before the American Legion is very dangerous for those of us trying to get out of our driveways or cross to mail boxes. I am very concerned about the proposed 114 unit apartment complex on the old Cold Storage site. Neither Hill St, Prospect Road, or Main Street (try making a left tun from Prospect onto Main St. some time!) can accommodate the traffic such a complex would generate.</p>
430	<p>Flat Iron Bldg: "I say unfortunately, it must come down. The building obstructs vision Park Ave/Main St. and by placing an unsafe - traffic, vision issue - crosswalk, it's an accident waiting to happen." H-L Property - "Front half light industrial business - road side Back half park; with hunting allowed during deer season</p>
431	<p>This survey was a good idea. My suggestion would be to consider more options for your multiple-choice questions as I found many didn't apply to me. My biggest concern is the development of the cold storage property. I'm all for it being developed, but not with so many apartments in one building. I don't see how so many cars can get in and out of that area with the current roads. I think traffic will be a nightmare.(cold storage) Whatever is developed there is not my business as long as the roads and infrastructure can handle it. Thank you for your time in putting this</p>

	survey together.
432	I think there should be more done on traffic control no one obeys the mileage signs. Our mailbox is on the other side of the street just over a hill. People come up there doing 60 instead of the 25 that is posted. I have been almost T-boned and it is dangerous just get your mail
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434	I would love to see adult education classes given at the local schools.
435	I have had 2 encounters with MAPD in the 3 years I have lived here and was disappointed in the lack of professionalism. Thank you for sending this survey and requesting our feedback.
436	Bring more business to Mt. Airy to create more employment opportunities. Thank you. PS: Bring Chick-fil-A to Mt. Airy
437	#8 Community Public Pools #9 Incentives for voluntary participation
438	Please "NO" public transportation ever!
439	1) I do not support the closure of Park Ave. 2) I would like to see promotion of diversity in our town.
440	We have long needed a traffic light at Prospect Rd. + Main St. While I realize traffic lights in the downtown area cause aesthetic problems, this is a dangerous intersection. If not a traffic light, then at least make it a 3-way stop. Cars coming out of Prospect at rush hour are backed up as far back as the Castle shopping center. Thank you.
441	Making smarter environmental choices to keep our living conditions up and not harming our portion of the planet. To take care of the place that provides us life. Getting rid of Pizza Hut, turn into Chick-fil-A or Panera. Do something w/ the old bank sitting on Main - something good and fun that will attract people & bring in \$\$\$. Better small businesses for jobs.
442	I would love to see gas prices be more competitive compared to Frederick and Damascus.
443	I personally don't want to see Mt Airy expand business wise or population wise. I have lived here for 34 years and have seen more negative than positive. Traffic is already a problem-getting out of Mt Airy and within Mt Airy. I love the rural community and historical feeling and pray that doesn't change.. Its one of the major reasons I picked Mt Airy to live in. I'm also very pleased we have a police force now, great community activities and atmosphere. Growth for the sake of growth is not always the best or beneficial. Keep Mt Airy a small community please.
444	I feel that Mt Airy police dept need to provide better approach to customer service,

	myself working previously, with a police dept, they are not friendly when you say hello or wave at them in passing. Also, we have enough officers, so we don't need more for our small town. * too many liquor stores within town limits
445	Thank you for the opportunity to share my thoughts. First to improve Mt Airys downtown district we'd like to see the old bank building revitalized and have it made into a restaurant or retail store that draws people to Mt Airy. Next, trying to add more interesting things for teens in the community would be great. Lastly to help beautify our town, give each single family resident an incentive of \$250.00 to use towards an improvement to the outside of their home ( porch, deck, landscaping) or have a Mt Airy cleanup day and everyone join together downtown to celebrate in the evening.
446	The road is too narrow on Main St where the Flat Iron Building sits. The parking spots that sit across the street of Main St don't allow adequate flow of traffic in that approximate 60ft of road way
447	Qu #7 - you have to be careful on the type of affordable housing in an area with no public transportation. Therefore, you'll want to avoid apartments and lean towards single family homes and townhouses. Concerns Q#5 - Growth of Mt. Airy. It is always easy to build from nothing in new areas than to build around existing structures such as the downtown area. But by extending out to new areas, you also add new budget concerns. As time goes by, surprises will occur that will take a surprise hit to the Mt. Airy budget. You do not want to stretch an existing budget too thin by stretching your coverage area. Also should be wary of what type business town council allows. New businesses are good but too many of the same business could weaken a market leading to a closed business. Closed business will create dead zones in existing business areas. Dead zones or gaps within a business area harms the surrounding businesses b/c the area will be less attractive for customers. Which is why I chose to concentrate on existing commercial areas of question 5. In an example of a type of business: a gas station. Mt. Airy has at least 6 different gas stations. I don't know if another gas station can be added to Mt. Airy and maintain a stable market or the market be unstable leading to a closed/failed gas station. Another question to ask, Will this affect Mt. Airy? Can it easily be filled/replaced/sold? Is the plot (abandoned gas station) now an EPA hazard? Does the town of Mt. Airy have to pay to fix this EPA hazard? Example of a surprise hit to the budget.
448	I would like to see the buildings at the corner of Prospect and Main Street restored or replaced with more downtown shopping and restaurants. We love downtown and the festivals and events and would like to expand that further. Sidewalks are not bike friendly. The schools are a very important asset to our town and I hope we continue to invest in them.
449	Knocked down Dennis Kitchen Bank Old Buildings
450	I think it would be nice to have a safe trail that links Prospect Rd/Twin Ridge/Westridge communities to Main St, if the rails to trails could be extended across Main St into the neighborhoods on the other side so we could safely bike, jog, walk to town and then over to Watkins Park via R to T

451	Wish that development would stop so we can enjoy what's left of open land
452	Over development is harmful for any small town but we can't stop growing & changing. I am happy to keep the small town feel of Mount Airy. It's why I moved here. I appreciate the opportunity to share my opinions with the town leadership through this survey.
453	- Schools need work - we currently send our children to private school due to concerns of CCPS. - Do something with that bank!!
454	Mt Airy is a unique, special place so while it would be great to have more commercial/ retail businesses here, I wouldn't want to lose the 'small town' character. It's a juggling act for sure. I do appreciate our town council & the commissions staying "conservative" when it comes to development. We do NOT want to lose our small town character by allowing any development that may not fit our town.
455	We are in favor of more small businesses, but not additional housing. More housing would increase the volume of traffic & change the overall feel of Mt. Airy.
456	I would like to see a bakery downtown such as a Panera Bread. If we could bring a national chain into a vacant store front such as the bank building.
457	The charm and appeal of our small town is because of its many caring people. Residents and council alike. While some development is probably needed, we really want our town to remain as small, rural and friendly as possible. So many communities think they need to grow and attract big business, but please not here. They can go to Columbia or Frederick, an easy drive for them East and West.
458	100% need to keep the small town feel and rural nature w/ farmlands. Do not over develop. Need additional baseball, park, etc. fields for use and/or allow Mt. Airy teams right of 1st refusal. Keep on our current path and no major public transportation lines. Continue community events!
459	Town is trying to head in right direction but taking too long to decide or move forward on ideas.
460	More fishing spots. Creeks, ponds, lakes, stocked with fish.
461	My family and I love living in the town of Mt. Airy. We enjoy opportunities to shop and enjoy time out as a family in the town and would love to see continued efforts to provide shopping, restaurants & entertainment opportunities. Thank you for taking the time to gather our thoughts.
462	We love this town. I lived in Columbia for 40 years and I finally feel "at home". Please do not over build the area. We moved here to get away from that crap. The project off 27 is concerning, as is the undeveloped land at the top of Candice and Main. Don't become another Columbia. We have fallen in love with this town and community. Don't ruin it. Please. Thank you. The fact that we can voice our opinion like this validates why we moved here.
463	I love the town the way it is. I like that we are a small family town with the traffic and



	congestion.
464	I appreciate being asked for my opinion, not just with this survey but at other times too. I understand that we need to grow to stay strong but I truly hate to lose our rural feel. It's why we stay.
465	Please stop any development at Main Street and Candace
466	I really think downtown Main St. needs to take priority - fill the empty spaces and bring more small-town charm & personality into town.
467	Keep Mt Airy as a small town in a rural setting. That is what attracts residents to this area.
468	While apparently already in the works, I support replacing Pizza hut with Chick-fil-A.
469	Question 23 I can't answer because I hear such different opinions. I do not want town growth . No big box store. Do not turn us into a Gaithersburg.
470	- Appreciate you taking the time to ask these questions, thank you. - I love walking, hiking, biking, so having more walking/running paths especially on Buffalo Road is important to me and kids. - more quality restaurants will be nice, like Panera Bread, 1-2 Asian food places. - Enforcing traffic laws. - An important municipal service is having a bulk dumpster somewhere in Downtown, it is highly needed.
471	As a former resident of Montgomery County I have been so pleased with the community feel that is so evident in Mt Airy. I wanted to leave Silver Spring & Mont Cty because of the constant and careless growth that continued to happen there. I am in support of some changed to downtown - another restaurant, shop, etc. Also improved walkability and traffic flow. I think this can be done without compromising the quaint, small town feel. I and others I have spoken to are very worried about some of the proposed growth. Please do not let mt airy become the next Urbana or Clarksburg - we are not interested!
472	We have some concerns regarding several town projects - such as the retaining wall at Prospect Park. It appeared to start leaning soon after the construction. Do we hold the contractors responsible for quality work? We should be soliciting competitive bids for projects, selecting the best most competent contractors, and ensuring that they provide us with quality work.
473	Let me tell you something, people love Mt. Airy because of it's charm + safety, not if you add what you call (affordable housing) that brings crime + trash. Just like Gaithersburg + Germantown has become. Is that what you want, lived here for 50 years I will move. Please don't turn Mt. Airy into a trashy city. And Never add bus service, if you do that will be the end of Mt. Airy the way we know it. :)
474	Q. 21: "Traffic Issue" Question 24: A concern I have is related to the industrial park. What kind of industry would be in the area? I realize that development is inevitable. However, the type of industry needs further discussion.
475	Question #24- Type of Industry needs more discussion.

476	Please do not develop more. Do not bring in more affordable housing if you do not want an increase of criminal activity. We should not invite the criminal element to our town/county. We actually moved here almost 15 years ago to raise our children in a safe community. We do feel that our schools are failing our students overall. As we were raised and schooled in Montgomery County, we feel that Carroll County public schools are NOT rigorous enough in academics. One child has graduated from South Carroll HS the other is still there. Our children have not had nearly as much HW as us parents from MCPSS. We have heard our kids tell us their teachers allow students to go on phone while teachers shop online for housing/clothing or simply surf online while the mobile devices are babysitting the students! Also the second chance learning is not teaching the students correctly they should be doing things right the first time around! Increase teachers' pay if you expect more from them we are believers of "you get what you pay for." We do need more affordable groceries though! How about an Aldi or Shop Rite in town? We would also like to see our police officers patrolling locations where teenagers congregate - to decrease illegal recreational use of vaping, smoking cigarettes, marijuana, etc. Q4 "recreational drugs!" as major concern. Also "downtown Main Street needs to be wider" and "slow residential growth please." Also Q16 "need to repair road on S. Main Street in front of Mr. Tire entrance"
477	Thanks for asking
478	I have significant concerns regarding the plans to extend center street from Rt 27. I believe there are other ways to bring customers to downtown businesses that will not increase traffic on the narrow Main St area through to commercial downtown area. Parking definitely needs to be increased and space is available on the same level as Main St on the north side of the Railroad Station bldg that has been unoccupied and unapproved for decades. Better signage on Route 27 and both ends of Main St could assist in telling people what is available in the downtown area.
479	Please close downtown Main St to parking. The existing parking at the West side is very dangerous! Very dangerous. Move all parking to upper or lower town free lots. Enforce posted speed limits and vehicle noise ordinances. Crossing Main St. outside, or even inside, crosswalks is life threatening!
480	Keeping Mt Airy a safe and quiet place to live and preserving its small town charm.
481	I feel extending Center Street is a bad idea with problems already for parking. Also closing Park Avenue at Main is a huge mistake.
482	Let Chewey expand his business Let traffic going south on Buffalo Rd make a left like it was done before the town installed a Do Not Enter sign. It's more dangerous now
483	The greatest threat to Mt Airy is to continue to identify new areas for development. Mt Airy should be focused on restoration of current areas without adding additional businesses or residential areas to undeveloped land. Traffic, population, water supply are MAJOR concerns that will be negatively impacted if development continues.
484	It appears that Mount Airy leadership is trying to expand the tax base. Is this because you are spending without regard? It seems that we were fine with the Resident

	Troopers. Now we are getting all kinds of equipment and training that seems very necessary (meaning not needed in the past). Also why is the helicopter being called in so often? The troopers never needed the helicopter. I love this town and hope to keep the same small town feel that I felt when I moved here.
485	Coder Note: Next to Q25 they did not make a selection but wrote in "Don't think we're moving in either direction."
486	Not enough to do in town. Have to go to Frederick. Need more for young people. Fix the water problem.
487	Young people drive out of town for most activities. There is nothing for them to do. Restaurants and shopping need improvement.
488	People's definition of affordable housing varies. I DO NOT want it so affordable you allow lower income / apartment / public transportation to this town because then more crime will come in.
489	Affordable housing has many different definitions. Part of Mt Airy's charm is the feel that not just anyone can live here, which helps keep crime low and protects property values. There is also a lack of activities for children - meaning no facilities / rec center. Downtown is riddled with services and not enough retail - restaurants.
490	Small town appeal is why we moved here..
491	We moved here for small town community. Limited or no new growth.
492	"My" Mt Airy would be improved by having more diversity. More diversity in restaurants and delivery options, more diversity in retail stores, more diversity in cultures and economic positions of families. My family is of mixed ethnic backgrounds and they have commented on the lack of diversity in their schools. Not sure how to fix this.... but thought I'd bring it up. Thank you for the survey
493	Wonderful town: we moved here summer of '17 & are proud to call it home! In addition to the retail potential listed in this survey, I suggest looking into options for the old bank & the intersection of Prospect Rd. & N. Main St. Huge potential! If you can explore options towards a Target & Chick-fil-A, we may have found perfections! :) Ha Ha Seems to be quite a few insurance agencies located in historic downtown. Not a huge crowd draw for shopping and dining. Too concentrated. Community patrols (@ least @ night) in the larger neighborhoods is always a plus. And thanks to the Mt. Airy PD for occasionally checking on the Summit Ridge soccer field!! Absolutely no "affordable" housing, major public transportation, or redistricting schools. No bussing.
494	Skipped question 23
495	Thank you for taking the time to get the thoughts of the town residents. I love Mt Airy for the small town feel and feel blessed to raise my children in a community that cares about them. I love the downtown events when they close the streets with food vendors craft beers and games for kids - I hope that continues. I like the idea of an open play/park like downtown but would never want to see any big retail stores and definitely no more housing. The only possible thing I would like to see would be some

	type of recreation center for teens. Thank you all for all you do to make Mt. Airy great!
496	- The parking along the street on Main St. does not provide many spaces, yet it always caused traffic build up and safety concerns when cars are trying to be parallel parking. They should be eliminated. - The empty bank building at the end of Main St. (with the big clock), has been vacant and a waste of valuable space for a restaurant, parking, etc. It is an eye sore and has been vacat for almost 20 years!
497	Mt Airy is a great town! We love it here! Thank you!
498	Traffic Concern; Parents turning left off of Watersville onto Main to get to Mt Airy Elementary. Concern is for cars coming up the hill, to the stop sign by the firehouse and Wagners. The right of way is not always followed.
499	Major concerns: cyber security, spam calls, cell phone usage (both adults and children), children activities both outside and indoor facilities
500	1) Main St is very unsafe where the southbound lane narrows in front of 5k printing. If the parking spaces between SK printing and the St James thrift shop were removed that would improve the situation 2) The blinking yellow light is not helpful! Can it be altered to turn to a full red light when someone pushes the button to cross? 3) I would like additional bulk trash pickup days
501	Just moved from Columbia/Ellicott City. hoping Mt Airy stays small so we don't become a crazy suburb like those areas (too much traffic, too many people, etc) some growth is needed, as long as it's strategic which is good. Area needs more childcare options, more pediatricians, and healthier restaurant options.
502	I wish the park outside the Summit Ridge community was taken care of.
503	Need more recycle days for furniture, pains, batteries, and drugs. Suggest a picker day where residents can put unwanted items by the curb for others to take. If done in connection with #1, we could recycle, repurpose or swap items instead of going to landfills
504	#7 - Would like to see an additional neighborhood similar to Wildwood for 55+ #21 - I would like to see the Flat Iron building fortified to stand as it has in the town. Even if that means that it wouldn't not be used for much. It is iconic to the look of downtown. #22 - H-L property - I don't like any of the options but would like to see it annexed so the town has control over it. I would rather see houses than industrial/businesses. Would prefer park land and Senior housing. #23 - I used to think that we the town were heading in the right direction but over the last few years some of the decisions of the town council have worried me, too much growth. I am ok with the Chick-fil-A replacing Pizza Hut but am horrified by the idea of the WAWA or any other similar place being put on that property across the street from it. We don't need any more gas stations.
505	Regarding the flat iron building, my main concern is our safety. There have been times I've parking in the municipal lot (no available spots in the adjacent lots) and felt

	unsafe walking up the sidewalk to my car because of the sidewalk access. I have lived in Mt Airy for over 40 years and I love the history of the flat iron building, but would prefer to preserve the history of memory of it, but not the actual building due to costs and above mentioned safety etc. Compare it to Mt Airy Middle! I was saddened to see the building removed but the practicality and safety of the new Middle School was a necessity. For retaining the history, consider pictorial outdoor plaques like those next to McKensie and possibly preserving in the Mt Airy Museum an architectural item or two from the building itself. (eg, an original light fixture, corner stone brick or something similar). Perhaps when tearing the building down some original bricks could be preserved and repurposed in a park like setting such as small walkways leading up to the historical signs or a garden wall around the signs.
506	A community center of some kind would be wonderful. Walking trails with basketball (indoors) maybe a pool like a YMCA type thing. A place to gather and offer classes for all ages.
507	Sorry if this is late - I was out of town
508	I think we need to re-evaluate apts. The new generation is renting instead of buying. The thought that all apts are trashy is not accurate. We are missing an opportunity to provide housing for those in transition & youth.
509	I have lived in Mt Airy since 2002. It is a great place to be and raise a family. We clearly don't need expansion on terms of condo's/townhomes/apartments. It would over? resources and increase traffic! In certain areas traffic must slow down! Some drivers in Summit Ridge drive too fast and endanger children and pets. Aggressive driving is also getting worse. The intersections at Rt 27 & Main St needs a stoplight!!! Speed limit on Rt 27 needs to be reduces to 35. 50 is too high!
510	Find some way to reduce the litter caused by the free newspapers thrown by the new mailboxes on Main St. What can be done to improve the area by the old bank building. Encourage the Plumbery to remove the old truck in the parking lot and improve the looks of the front of the building.
511	I would personally like to see something done to either remove/renovate or change the old bank building that has gone unused for many years (the one on the corner of N Main St and Prospect Rd). Overall, the town of Mt Airy has been run extremely well. I have lived here for about 22 years (counting my 4 years away at college). I am thankful for this town and it has been excellent for every stage of my life so far. This is a great town and I am proud to be a resident.
512	I feel particularly strong about annexation and development of Harrison Leshear property. Mt. Airy needs this!! We need the industrial/office park land the new park land including more ball fields. Coder Notes: Q 21 they wrote in "depends how much" Q 23 "non-political - no leftie/trendy cause"
513	Would love to see more soccer fields in town
514	Thank you for all that you do. You really respect the community's input and feedback.

515	We really appreciate the Town's holiday decorations and celebrations. Its very special and much appreciated. Q 2 atmosphere/rural setting/ quiet community/family oriented/sense of safety/historic character/small town. Q3 shopping-entertainment/traffic.
516	Thank you for all you do!!
517	We believe that this town could use a dedicated sports facility...i.e. turf soccer fields, baseball fields, etc. There really isn't a good field currently in the area for youth to play on. The Harrison Leishear property sounds like a great place for this.
518	Mt Airy would be a nice place to retire; however, the State of Maryland makes it too expensive to retire in MD Too many structures in Mt Airy that are eyesores; Bank Building, lot near Bank of America, buildings/sheds near the plumbery The apartment complex (larger one) on the corner of Rt27 Watersville is terrible. The condition of the buildings is disgusting. I understand it is affordable housing for some but it needs to be renovated - pressure on the complex/owner to make changes-living conditions are atrocious-tenants deserve better. Owners need to be accountable for their vacant buildings. Yes businesses come and go - but sitting idle for years and years is not helpful to our town economy. The owner of the building which rents to Mamma's Angela's need to be accountable for the upkeep of the property - parking lot, vacancies, old signs still up from businesses long gone Yes to Chick fil A
519	No Section 8 housing downtown or apartments Parking garage should be built downtown on property of old F&M bank bldg Q16 comment- All of these are from social media and newspapers ie Service clubs, Religious Functions, Town Events
520	1. Either condemn the old Merchants Bank Bldg and replace w/parking garage or open-air parking 2. Eliminate Pkg on Main St due to too many near misses by increasing parking areas nearby 3. More handicap parking for downtown included in options 1 and 2 above
521	On the whole I believe Mt Airy is headed in the right direction. I do continue to have concerns about the police department. I consider myself no safer than before the department was created so consider the department as a wasted expense. Mount Airy should be marketing to businesses and turning Main Street into more usable and walkable space. Tear down the Flat Iron Building.
522	If you end up closing Main Street for Flat Iron building work, then please connect Center Street first to alleviate traffic issues.
523	If you connect center street first it could help the traffic problem if you close the street to tear down the building.
524	Would love to have more food options and have Walmart upgraded. We spend a lot of our shopping/dining out in Frederick currently. Would be nice to have local YMCA as well! Can water bills be setup to pay electronically as well???
525	I would like to see additional/limited affordable housing built in the area. I hate to see young adults who have lived here their whole lives being forced to move due to lack

	of affordable housing.
526	More community events More stores/bars on Main Street
527	Controlled growth is important. We don't want to become Urbana. The Flat Iron building has value if it is historic (I don't know this). Preserving history is essential for future generations.
528	More community events More stores/bars on Main St
529	In margins: "Excellent [place to work]. Great for teens. Good for adults. Do something with the bank building!! Top issue in town. Fill existing businesses and try and figure out ways to keep new businesses here. Maybe give new businesses a lower rent first six months to help them. If building is empty no rent coming in, give them a 50% break at least 50% rent is coming in and helping them to establish themselves.
530	Move the museum artifacts into an upgraded not 1 bank building.
531	1) Please remove or actively enforce the 15mph school speed limit on Watersville Rd between Main and 27. 2) Put in a stop light or at least a 4way stop st the school and fire station on Main and Watersville. 3) Find parking and encourage downtown development and our fabulous old bank building. 4) Replace the Flatiron building with a beautiful period appropriate building. This should draw additional development. 5) Encourage a major retailer to locate here: Target, Walmart Supercenter, box stores BJs, Sams, Costco.
532	Q. 3: "Not much to dislike"
533	This is an amazing community with an amazing future. Investing in business and resources to provide revenue is a must, but we must keep the integrity of this small town as i. Focus on local business, opening more office space, will help. Thanks to all of you on the task force for your hard work!
534	I would like to see more small businesses thrive in the downtown area. I believe the high rent and difficult parking is a factor. I do believe Mt Airy is a desirable place to live and I hope that it can maintain a small town feel with regulated and controlled growth
535	I believe public transportation represents a threat that could bring crime to Mount Airy. I believe public transportation need to e held out of Mt Airy. No public transportation!
536	Stay small and don't compete with larger communities in regards of trying to bring in business and more residents.
537	I want to keep the small town feel but I would like to see more high quality healthcare options, especially as a parent to two small children. I would also like to see more unique retailers and grocery/food options, something like Trader Joes. The town has the perfect location being right off 70 in the middle of Sykesville and Frederick. Higher quality food options like chik-fi-a or Panera would be a beneficial.
538	I am against any new residential properties. I think a community center would benefit

	youth, as there isn't a lot for them to do in Mount Airy. Coder Notes: For Q 2 they did not rank but checked items: atmosphere/rural setting/schools/quiet community/family oriented/sense of safety/location/small town/community pride. Q recreational facilities/shopping-entertainment. Q8 "indoor basketball/rec center"
539	Q. 2Schools, Family Oriented, Safety, Location, Small Town Q. 3: would love more downtown shops similar to Sykesville Q. 4: Parking on Main St impacts safety driving at times Q. 5: downtown
540	1. I would like to see a restaurant area similar to the one in Walkersville. A huge brick building with chain restaurants on both sides: Texas Roadhouse, TGI Fridays, Panera, Panda, Chilis, Sports bars, etc. 2. Schools are pretty good here but they decrease in friendliness and devotion as the students get higher up. The administration in the high school plays favorites. Parents have said at gatherings that I have attended that if you donate money to the school your student will get better treated. I don't know if this is true or not but special treatment was given and admin has looked away at students that did not follow the rules. Also, my son tells me that vaping occurs on the school bus. 3. Cars do speed in the neighborhood and on 27 at the light at Challedon people pass on the right at the red light before the light turns green even if nobody is making a left. I've witnessed it twice. 4. Lastly, bad enough Hanukkah hasn't been displayed much in local stores throughout the years, and the food is very limited at the grocery stores, but now schools are not closing for the high Jewish holidays. Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur on top of it all they are now closing on Dec 23rd. What holiday is that? After Jennifer Seidel and a crowd fought long and hard for the Jewish holidays to be off, the new superintendent comes in and takes it away. What a slap in the face. Thank you town on Mt Airy for the Hanukkah decorations at town hall. It was greatly appreciated by the Jewish community. We hope to get a float in the parade one day, but it is called the Christmas Santa Claus parade.
541	Thank you for all your effort in conduction this important survey.
542	I have a lot of community pride but I feel like not a lot of people do. Grocery shopping is great but entertainment is lacking. Sometime (recreational facilities) are a little unkept. Summit Ridge soccer field needs a fence because people drive on it. Tennis courts are fine but another basketball court would be great for outside. Crime is not an issue for Mt. Airy. I think our resources can be better allocated to make this town a better place. This survey is a good step towards citizen involvement. Parks and rec did not respond to my email. Thanks for the opportunity to voice my opinion! Was wondering why this couldn't be done online. Seems a bit costly to send each resident, young people included a full packet of info with prepaid mailing cards. A lot of people probably won't even fill this out.
543	In order to accommodate more large development, Route 27 must be widened further north beyond North Main Street. For the Harrison/Leisher property, I am definitely for he large park option. I however think if any more big commercial were to have interest in coming to the town, that will be the best spot. I think this calls for either a restaurant, park, a hotel or 2, or a small to medium sized shopping center, maybe the size of Twin Arch Shopping Center. This all could honestly fit in the 40 acres



	mentioned remaining undeveloped. For the Center Street extension, I say that the Century Dr addition should occur with it to provide an overall better connection. For my "other" option on question 12, police should have an occasional DUI checkpoint along Route 27. For question 8 I think one more residential activity needed is perhaps a large pond between 5 and 10 acres that can provide for fishing due to the only public fishing spot is Prospect Park. I being an avid fisherman, would love to have a new spot (in the Harrison Leisher property) close to home. I even think there should be boats that could be rented out, overall, this park will be a great regional gathering area. As for the Flat Iron building, I think it his best for the expensive option to correspond to the newer area after the 2007 fire and overall provide a more eye appealing feel to downtown and a rented area.
544	1) while there are many jobs available, there are not many big companies in Mt Airy or apartments. as a result, it is not an ideal place to live out of college and in your 20s 2) I'm ok with anything happening to the flat iron building as long as the street gets wider (it is a tight squeeze w the parallel parking). as well as the sidewalk. 3) More park and/or a sport complex would be great and used a lot. The only gym and indoor pool is at health unlimited, so another one would benefit the community greatly. 4) a chick fil a in town would be awesome and attract more business.
545	Cross walk clearly marked for children near school bus stops, to many speeding cars, I would enjoy a written history of Mt Airy to be sent to all homeowners ( schools should have a history in local school curriculum. Senior Center small borrowing library could be expanded. Saturday or Sunday mass at 10am could be held at senior Center that is closed. , would like condos for seniors, lack of affordable senior housing
546	Love living here. would love to see more diverse restaurants like Frederick. Main St is primary concern. I support all improvements there.
547	We do not need condos - see new market Liganore - it's horrible. Need to retain small town feel. It would be nice to have another gym - maybe a YMCA Need lots of green space We do not need to look like Damascus/ New Market This is still Carroll County!
548	Keep up the good work! only question-why wasn't this survey done online? ( saves trees, more efficient, etc.)
549	Neighborhood streets need some attention and upgrades. More outdoor trails would make mt airy a nicer place to live and enjoy. Community center would be a huge plus for all residents! Traffic safety concern on Buffalo Rd/Scotch Heather and Main Streets. Upgrade park and ball field facilities. A body of water or lake park would be excellent in Mt. Airy.
550	summit ridge needs sidewalks addressed - some were repaired but larger ones weren't - particularly Thornberry Ct. Thornberry is also the only cul-de-sac to not have curbs. Mt airy Walmart has a HUGE theft problem Need updated fast food places - Chickfila, Panera Such problem with indoor basketball and getting gym time/availability. our local youth are suffering compared to other programs in Frederick. we need a rec center that is open to public to utilize. Only place is health

	unlimited and that's expensive. What would happen to mt airy elementary if/when it gets torn down?
551	Do not bring public transportation. Need to evaluate the rise in crime and drug OD More shopping options other than Home Goods and Walmart Keep the small town feel - don't over build like other small towns that have become over populated. single family houses should be more affordable no \$500,000 plus dollars. Q3 not much work and the pay is low but that is not a Mt Airy issue A community Center would be nice for our town especially when kids don't have anything to do. It might help them stay safe.
552	Great Survey.
553	I really would love to see something done with the old bank on Main St. It's such a neat building with so much potential and parking. I truly a Mt Airy themed restaurant would be amazing and bring in a lot of people (If I had the money I would be trying to do it myself!) I love the idea of more recreational spaces w/ parks, picnic areas, fields, etc. It is much needed. I want the town to remain historic and keep all of it's amazing character, but I would love to see some efforts made to attract a younger demographic (25-30 yo) I would LOVE to some healthier fast food options come into Mt Airy. Panera, Cava, etc. Sometimes we all get busy and need a quick meal, but I don't always want something so heavy and greasy. Please think about it.
554	CHICK FIL-A (all caps and filled the page with a smiley face)
555	We need to keep our taxes down always. This is what makes Carroll County and Mount Airy a good place to live. We should not be using any money from the State and Feds. We should be in control of our town and keep govt control out as much as possible. The last place we want to be like is Montgomery County Baltimore or Frederick. Again, thats what makes Mt Airy and Carroll County a great place to live items. Sense of Safety and then wrote in "gangs have moved in here"; Traffic.
556	keep downtown in present state as much as possible. Rockville gutted downtown and built a mall. That modernizing was a failure for Rockville. Rockville lost forever the historical downtown. Rt 144 is so noisy at times I'm sorry I moved to Mt Airy. The normal traffic is ok. I must live with the pickup trucks and motorcycles that accelerate uphill traveling east to Main St. Vehicles with modified exhaust rattle windows. Vehicles with normal or non-altered exhausts are fine with me. I understand some noise is inherent with living by a well-traveled road. My biggest gripe is with pickup trucks with straight pipe exhaust. I am impressed this survey went to all residents. You asked for citizens opinions. Thank you
557	Commercial truck parking on Park Ridge requires enforcement
558	1) Need more local businesses and less large commercial franchises. 2) Need affordable/low-cost housing and more job opportunities if we want real growth
559	Important to provide affordable spaces for local business to operate as to preserve Mt. Airy's small town appeal Would also like to reiterate that sustainable growth cannot happen without job opportunities and options for low-cost/affordable housing

	for low income citizens.
560	1. Please do something with the Prospect Bank building. Complete eyesore. 2. No parking should be allowed in downtown section of Mt. Airy. The street is too narrow and creates a dangerous situation. 3. I would like to see a summer "Friday in the Park" similar to what Poolesville did with great success. 4. Intersection at Prospect & Main is dangerous. Sight lines are blocked. A turn lane or light is needed.
561	Bank at Main & Prospect- I've lived in Mt Airy for 25 years and this property is a Mess- please do something!! I'm in favor of extending Center St But NOT in favor of high density housing
562	I recently read that Mount Airy municipal water supply is one of the least clean/healthy water supply. I was researching places to retire and rankings on key items. Health/safety/affordability. I was surprised to see our water fall in the very poor range.
563	My main concerns on taxes, crime and traffic in and around town. I'm not in favor of more development
564	Please consider safety improvements at the intersection of Ridge Ave the Safeway access road. When traveling from Route 27 toward Safeway, it's impossible to know if traffic traveling from Safeway to 27 has a red light or green light, so turning left onto Ridge is a scary proposition.
565	#21 (Center St) This road is not needed and will cause more trouble "connecting" to Main Street - Main St. traffic is pretty bad as it is this would be worse. Main Street is too narrow as it is with parking if any size truck is coming through. Have a lot of poorly worded questions to answer properly in order for you to give useful information. Center St. connection is a bad idea & not needed, will only mess up traffic worse than it already is on Main Street. My experience with surveys has been they only get used to confirm what the administration wants to happen & any problems pointed out don't get fixed. Not really a fan of the town Don't see the purpose and is it really attracting visitors. Didn't really care if it went up but now up not digging it. What ever happened to survey 2007 results?
566	I am all for bringing in new businesses to Mt. Airy, but I think there should be a better consideration as to their location. Mt. Airy has enough traffic problems and the location of Chick-fil-A will be a nightmare. It would be an accident waiting to happen. Look at the New Market traffic at 144 and 75 at any given time - do we really want that here? And extending 27 down Center St. - will just bring more traffic down Main St. which is already dangerous. I cannot drive down Main St. near where the businesses are without almost being run off the road by a tractor trailer, large pickup truck, or SUV. Unless there are plans to widen Main St. - this is dangerous.
567	I love all great work of the Town Council & employees of the town of Mt Airy! Keep it up! It's a place to live and raise a family. Thank you! Please get larger or enveloped water bills - too easy to loose in other mail
568	Need to control the stealing of mail and the vandalism of properties. This needs more

	focus.
569	I'd like to see traffic around Anita's Liquors looked at & try to fix as well as the light at Rt. 27 where 70 exits by McDonalds - there is no left turn signal for people to get onto Rt. 27 from Main St. & it causes a lot of problems. I also don't think we should be looking at low income housing. If you want more housing, make it comparable to single family homes in the area.
570	One concern about adding more industrial "parks" is that many of the areas we have now are just trashy, junky businesses. Have you see Foundations First on Rising Ridge Road? There are junk vehicles, pallets, and other trash all over the property. Why is that allowed? The other nearby businesses are well maintained, and their area is screened by landscaping. We don't need to bring in more businesses like Foundations First - they are not good neighbors. I would also like to say kudos to the mayor - this is a terrific undertaking!
571	We need to look at lighting in Town code. The amount of light pollution spill over to roads at night is hazardous in some areas and ??? The international bank sky --
572	We recently moved to the area last year and the charming quiet town has been a great change for our lives, however, I feel that the town is really lacking for "good" restaurants. There are really way too many fast food places and requires us to really drive 20-30 minutes to go somewhere nice for dinner. I would love to see some changes in the regard. This applies to downtown too. Q11 comment- Fortunately no experience with this yet
573	Roads that have been repaved should also have man covers raised as there are many significant drops that harm the cars. Restrictions on throwing plastic wrapped advertisement papers should be enacted. Many of these often lay in the streets and gutters for days and/or washed into the sewer openings. Many are picked up and disposed of in recycling contaminating the waste because the plastic wrap needs separated from paper and most will not take this extra step. enforcement of town code of refuse (including yard waste) sitting on the streets for several days on weeks before pickup. This often enters the sewer openings when bags are destroyed by weather and or vandalism, Would like to see bulk pick ups for Mt Airy more than once a year
574	1) Please remove old wood "Town of Mt Airy" sign located when first entering town on Main St. It's an eyesore, has wrong old info. on it. 2) We need 24 hr. coverage with our own Mt. Airy Police Force.
575	Please slow development. I've lived here since I was 4 and now raise my family here. I 100% do not want apartments built-there are plenty of in surrounding areas and I feel it will bring lower income-which could decrease the areas appeal. Please please please do something (Or offer incentive for something to happen with the old bank building on Main St Please slow down development- keep our small town feel Old shopping center on Prospect is in desperate need of fixing up
576	We need more Police Officers for adequate staffing at least 24/7 coverage. I would support higher taxes for more police. Add curbside leaf collection Curb to curb

	snow plowing in winter
577	Control growth; Don't push any affordable housing crap; watch carefully what policies are causing communities to have to deal with crime and homelessness out of liberal efforts to "improve" things and avoid making those mistakes
578	From Q12- Police focus on keeping drugs and gang activity from finding its way into the community I would like to see a vibrant "Old Town/Downtown" where the community can gather at eateries, taverns, shops, etc. Supplement current big stores (ex Walmart, Homegoods) with other select stores; add more employees, get a top quality sports complex for lacrosse, baseball, football, etc. and still keep the small town community feel and traditions
579	We should allocate more funds for additional police officers and a new police station. They are doing a good job but with minimal staff and facilities. Not only is our safety important but so is officer safety. The town needs 24 hour coverage and additional officers for backup.
580	Please stop expending our tax dollars on the Flat Iron Building. Enough money has already been directed toward the project. Tear it down!! The Mount Airy Police Department (MAPD) should be staffed to protect citizens 24/7. How can citizens be protected if they are only on duty from 7 am - 3 am. Since the hours are made public, I'm sure the criminals are aware of those hours. I know support is given from the Sherriff's office of Carroll and Frederick Counties, however, their response would probably be longer. Having MAPD here 24/7 should diminish the response time.
581	Would love to see the Bank become something (not a parking garage). Q10 "car break in!"
582	Weekly recycling would be wonderful including yard waste from April 1 - Dec 15 (plus Christmas tree pickup)
583	Neighborhoods would benefit from additional patrolling/police availability during the overnight hours. Q3 "need more recycling days"
584	We love living in this town. We prefer as little development as possible to maintain the small town charm. Improvements to what is already here is welcome. Thank you for all you do!
585	The town municipal employees do a super job, especially snow removal.
586	Needed: Target, Chick Fil-A, Panera, Costco Sams BJ, Hobby Lobby, Home Depot Lowes, Michaels Crafts, Clothing Stores. Not Needed: Dealerships, nail salons, barbershops, liquor stores, pizza or pizza hut. Q5 - too many liquor stores/barbershops; Q8: not needed; Q23: none-sell; Q7: "never utilized" and did not make any selection.
587	Need for companies/stores in Mount Airy price competition needed as well as more shopping options.
588	I appreciated this opportunity - keep up the good work in this special town!

589	I would like the Mt Airy Police Department to do a better job of patrolling the town. I rarely see a patrol car in the Twin Ridge neighborhood. I remember seeing the highway patrol more than I see our new local police dept.
590	More investment in Parks & Rec, shortages at fields, Rec Centers, and the ones in existence could use updating and a fresher look. Town should be in control of development and not any counties. Should have some areas for 55+ condo living.
591	This will be our 30th Year in Mt Airy. We have enjoyed them all - peaceful and quiet. One thing I know for a fact our town services are better than the three areas we have lived and they are better than anyone else I know. Our roads are treated and cleaned for snow better than any other areas - much better I see the town trucks daily I hope this appreciation can be sent along to the crew at the yard on Prospect
592	I strongly support bringing chick-fil-a to Mt Airy!
593	More running and biking trails
594	Younger generations are moving away from Mt Airy. Need affordable housing options. Condos...
595	Remove the flat iron building it creates a nuisance for the town and the pedestrians. That intersection is the worst intersection I have ever seen. Slow down on the growth unless you plan on expanding route 27. There was 3 traffic lights when I moved here now I am stuck at lights all the time. The 3 lights heading south on 27 need to be timed better. Say "NO" to apartments. The complex's bring nothing but trouble. I had a nice house in Rockville until they put an apartment complex in,. The neighborhood went straight down hill and crime did nothing but escalate So here I am. Make these lines bigger next time.
596	Mount Airy could use more family friendly activities. Many other parts of Fredrick County have Rec Centers. This would be a great addition to our town. The Police Dept. should post more informative info on social media instead of so many humorous items. We need less gas stations and liquor stores. Add more business variety!
597	-We need a large Rec Center NOW! Ideally one with activities for children. Also basketball and space for MAYAA wrestling. -Complete Center Street. Redo Downtown it is awful. No parking no activities and it looks bad -A real running track would be great. -More commercial space. Yes this is a small town but it needs more growth to survive.
598	We are a retired couple. We like Mt Airy very much. We have some concerns. People speeding too much, would like to see more grocery stores, like Giant Aldi, more selections. Overall Mt Airy is a nice place to live. You are doing a great job. Thank You
599	Not sure about Chick fil A - SO crowded huge draw from I-70. No to WAWA on empty property. Keep Mt Airy small.
600	-Adding a collaborative work space -Do something with the large empty bank on the corner of Main and Prospect -Recycling every week

601	Don't habitually rezone properties so owners can turn a profit. Don't let important downtown buildings like the bank building sit derelict for over 20 years. Don't change the flavor of our town to allow it to turn into little Frederick and try to support small business growth. With Ellicott City changing shape artisans and small businesses could have opportunities here. If the downtown area was done right. I would prefer we keep our small town feel and have to travel to the big box stores because we have something special here.
602	Mt Airy's challenge, among many, is a lack of identity and because suburb with the current amount of business without a plan that structures and function. The town center, etc. are two areas that hold Mt Airy's identity. Anything done to these two areas will impact what we identify with Mt Airy up or down. Business today and other services mixed in like apartments etc seem to have no planning. They are just there. Building sit in disarray or half built for years. It looks like a jumbled mess just driving by is done for the line needs to have much better balance.
603	Keeping Mt. Airy's small town feel yet increasing town appeal with quaint businesses/retail etc. would be best. A road connecting 27 to Center St. brings the possibility of unwanted guests in our town due to the easy access. Love our town - keep it "small town" with targeted, careful growth.
604	Summary-Additional bulk pick ups should be quarterly. Town police needed 24/7. Manhole covers need raised and trees trimmed around Rising Ridge Rd that are around street light. There is a huge safety issue when trying to enter Main St, there is a very large Van Truck, an American Legion sign that blocks the view of oncoming traffic. The Flat Iron building has outlived its purpose and not up to code, it would be better utilized at a parking garage. Something needs to be done with eye sore buildings such as, The Bank, Flemming Furniture and the burnt Chevrolet Building. Street lights need to be added on Rising Ridge RD, Park Ridge Rd, and on RT 144 and various other locations
605	Would love updated parks for kids & more of them. More pool options as well.
606	A public town pool would be a great amenity. There have been rumors of a Chick-fil-A taking over that location. I think that more businesses would benefit the town. The business building behind the McDonalds seems run down and inefficiently used.
607	Police presence - like the new police force but don't have them off duty during the middle of the night when most needed for theft/breakins/robberies Development - no more industrial/commercial added until more vacant buildings have been occupied More big stores like Kohls/Home Depot. Right now you need to go to Frederick for any f your needs. Let Chick-fil-A come into town, along w/ other restaurants other than Italian. If WAWA comes - make the intersection not where it is now w/ the McDonalds.
608	#6 - No more liquor stores or hair salons! #13 - Frederick County could use more representation Traffic is a major issue here. Any development must be considered with potential traffic problems in the forefront. Please don't wait for accidents & jams to occur - be proactive. Thanks for listening to our opinions!

609	Fix the sidewalks in the Twin Ridge development. Maintain wetlands in Storm Water Management areas. Resurface the tennis courts at Village Gate Park. Start by getting the leaves off the courts. Maintain the history of Mt. Airy and make the Flat Iron building in operating condition.
610	I have only been in Mt Airy for 5 years but i have seen very little growth. This is disappointing as a young mother who would like more in this town, but the fact that growth is a huge topic of discussion leads me to believe the town has the potential to move in the "right direction" in my opinion.
611	Very excited if we get the Chick-fil-A!!! We need more use of the ball parks that we currently have. Plus we need more to all sports. We need an indoor center for kids to do the different sports during wintertime. A trampoline indoor place would be awesome!
612	I recognize that the town can't stay static and has to grow to some degree however there is no reason why the town should develop to the degree of some of our neighboring areas - New Market, Monrovia, Urbana, Germantown. We have plenty of services currently in the town and more than enough a short distance away. If there is a need for more affordable housing so our teachers firemen police can live in the area I support additional affordable housing but not condo/apts or other high density. Small townhome communities would fit our town better. I'd love to see even more vibrant Main Street. It would be great to finally see the bank corner finished where restaurants and retail would bring in more people and would support the current businesses.
613	Regarding Flat Iron, suggest memorializing the building with a large mural akin to the angels in the architecture. What happened to getting a Wawa? I'd be happy to see one replace Pizza Hut. Need bathrooms at all soccer fields (eg. Mt. Airy Middle)
614	Harm would be to let the town grow. We already have enough business that enter our town or shops that have folks enter our town. To create more traffic would result in more people coming to our community and with that brings crime and corruption. We really don't need any more growth to our town.
615	Concerning the last question, no information was given to indicate the direction the town is headed in, so the question is unfairly loaded. What direction is the town headed in?
616	I've mentioned these thoughts to the Mayor previously - I moved to Mt. Airy to get away from the bright lights and big city. There was talk of making downtown more walkable with more grocery or more shops *illegible*. I enjoy seeing the sky and stars at night. I want shopping and *illegible* need to walk there. There is plenty of shopping in the *illegible* Fredrick *illegible* etc. Currently my town taxes are higher than my state taxes so I don't want to see them increase. I also a FB town council members say we have plenty. My husband say it also. I'd say with the high water bills are the years you've built quite the nest egg. Sometimes I feel the town is in the right direction then I need comments from one of the council members to make Mt. Airy
617	Our family moved here in June and we love it. While I would love the convenience of



	more shopping options, we like the small town, rural feeling. We like that. We also like that we can get around pretty easily with little traffic. We live in Twin Ridge. We love our neighborhood and the families. The only issue I've noticed is the teenagers vandalizing or "pranks" in the neighborhood. I wish there was a way to prevent this.
618	I would like speed cameras on rising ridge or a way to monitor the 4 way stop sign to prevent cars from not stopping there before a person/child is hit by a car.
619	Mount Airy has been a great place to raise our family, but we think it has a lot of potential that hasn't been addressed. There are still many rundown buildings and signs that make the town look bad. Examples are the building on E. Ridgeville between Main and Ridgeside along with Anita's. Anita's is a trashy dump and its entrance causes problems on 144. The Mount Airy sign across from McDonalds looks bad and so does the one on the hill near Mamma Angelas. The downtown has improved with Laurienzo's and nearby shops and support continued improvements. We love the vibe of small town shops and restaurants over strip malls and the proposed changes to remove the Flat Iron building are necessary. We don't like to get rid of its history, but unfortunately we think it's time. Thanks for your efforts to improve Mount Airy while retaining its small town character.
620	Addition of Chic fil A as new restaurant Traffic light needed at North Main St at Plumbery Pave Twin Ridge Dr Town Alert or Siren system for severe Weather Add downtown parking spaces
621	Would love to see more resources to walking paths from surrounding neighborhoods to Main Street and trails on existing parkland developed for recreational use.
622	Thank you for all your good work. Police - People do not (illegible word) pay attention to traffic signs and run through stop signs.
623	I completely support growth in downtown area for new restaurants, small shops, etc. I tend to drive to Frederick for their diverse locally owned restaurants. Any additional places in Mt. Airy would be appreciated especially if they are within walking distance to downtown.
624	Something must be done with Flat Iron building. Would like to see more housing that's affordable for seniors.
625	Please extend bike trail west of Main St.
626	Remove the Flat Iron Building and make a safe park and main intersection.
627	Mt. Airy is a charming little town with pleasant neighborhoods and residents that care deeply that we keep focusing on maintaining this character as we move farther into the 21st century. The town is a treasure made possible by the caring residents including those we elect to town office. Thank you for this thoughtful survey.
628	Thank you for asking & thank you for all you do. Our family would love to have more biking/hiking trails! We need to keep residents exploring home or at least nearby and frequenting our businesses. If there is little to do as far as outdoor activities, then people head out after work or on the weekends. Let's work to have green spaces with

	trails, creeks, and more.
629	Biggest disappointment is Main St. In particular the "dead" space most notably the Old Bank. Make Mt Airy look like a depressed area. Also the old Castle Center. Would love some more nice restaurants. I miss "Rachael's Garden".
630	While I love Mt Airy, I am very disappointed about the open store fronts in downtown Mt Airy. I am particularly upset about the vacant bank site at Main and Prospect. It seems that the town is allowing the owner of this property to have it in disrepair. I feel that this is a bigger issue than the Flat Iron building. I had mentioned this to the mayor when he was campaigning for his reelection. He assured me that he was working on this eyesore! I do not like the idea of any more commercial development until this issue is resolved. After this is addressed, I would support the new Chick-fil-A at the Pizza Hut location.
631	Main Street from Prospect to SR 144 should be provided natural gas service availability, as well as removal of overhead utility lines.
632	I would like to see many of the development projects listed in this survey come to fruition and make this town a most desirable place to live. A commitment to development and affordable housing may attract more diversity as I being exposed to people that don't always look like them. I was also really hoping that we would get a trader Joe's or Target instead of Carroll Health Complex that took once the Joe's would bring to Mt Airy. Currently we have to go to Columbia or Frederick
633	I live in Frederick Co., the neglected side of Mount Airy. I would like to subscribe with Comcast for cable TV, but can't because we can't get local programs out of Washington like the rest of Frederick gets. Instead we are forced to get local programs out of Baltimore. We had Washington programs when we had Adelphia and Prestige but when Comcast took over Mt. Airy signed the contract to only receive Baltimore stations as our local programming. Carol Shawber who controls this lives in Carroll Co. so she doesn't care. I have spoken w/ mayor Pat R. as well as other town reps and they don't seem to care either. Comcast has told me that this can be resolved especially since the rest of Frederick Co. is connected with Washington local programming and that the contract (recently signed for another 8 years!) just needs to be amended. i know that many of my friends and neighbors feel the same about this situation, so please show us that the Frederick Co. side of Mount Airy receives equal treatment and do something about it. Thank you.
634	Do something with the condemned building on Main Street that I believe used to be a bank. When you enter Mt Airy from 70, all you see are liquor stores. No more liquor store licenses, sold in Mt Airy. Our taxes are forcing senior citizens to move out of the town. We have too much property damage in Twin Ridge that goes on without anyone being held responsible. More surveillance vehicles are needed. Encourage a Panera Bread franchise. No more barber shops. Need a movie theater.
635	Please work on extending the Rail Trail from Main Street to Twin Ridge. This would improve community health and improve business on Main Street.

636	Affordable housing for younger generation.
637	Youth is moving away from Mt Airy. We need affordable housing - condos, example: Spring Ridge.
638	#7 "I don't know what you mean by affordable housing" #23 "I would say that Mt Airy is standing still" What is going on with the abandoned cold storage property? Can it become parking? I want Mt Airy to become more of a walkable town.
639	Q.5 - "Fill vacant buildings 1st!"
640	Please continue to support the senior center - it's extremely important to so many seniors and seniors-to-be. It is a home and family to many who live alone. Thank you.
641	I would like to see improvements in sidewalks and bike paths connecting the western side of town to the downtown area. Speeding on Prospect between Rising Ridge and Hill Street makes walking less safe especially after dark. We need more speed limit signs on that stretch and more patrols. I would like to see the property at the Old Cold Storage location developed into office space and a parking lot garage.
642	Q 2 quiet community / family oriented / sense of safety / location / small town. Q3 shopping/entertainment / employment opportunities.
643	I have lived in Mt Airy my entire life. I love the small town feel and great community it has. It would be nice to have more stores, offices, restaurants, etc. but it would be awful to industrialize so much that it changes the small town feel.
644	Too many vacant, dilapidated buildings in the commercial areas. Never see a police car patrolling my neighborhood but they do respond to call) Absolutely no transit options around town ( small shuttle bus, maybe? bus to metro? bus to Frederick?
645	One of my biggest complaints with the town of Mount Airy is with a few of the eye sores on the town that are sitting stagnant. I am referring to the old bank building/parking lot which sits at the corner of Main Street and Prospect Ave. It has been sitting empty since I moved here over 11 years ago. I don't understand why something hasn't been done with this space by now. I would also like to inquire about the unfinished cinder block building which sits next to the Bank of America. I was excited to see what new shops might go there, but the building appears to have halted entirely.
646	We do not need low income housing Main Street - more small shops
647	I don't believe the town has sufficient resources or expertise to be involved in real estate development or construction!
648	Small shops on Main Street No low income housing
649	When and if we develop more land for the park and rec, I'd like to see us build a stage/band shell for community concerts/performances/bands/movie nights. etc. Mt Airy is a great community to live and work in! Thanks for doing such a great job for us!

650	You all do a great job. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I appreciate the safe, small town we have.
651	Question 8 in my opinion has two answers that mean same thing to me so they are both marked with the same number, you can't have one without the other. We need more ball fields and indoor basketball courts. Maybe invest in a community center. Could possible work on the Harrison-Leishear property if annexed with coordination/funds/grants from Carroll Co.
652	Too many events involving alcohol. This is a family oriented community. There is a time & place for this, not at Mt. Airy town events. County Rds in Mt. Airy would like to see speed limit dropped - example Rt. 27! Too much traffic on Main Street.
653	Having lived here many years, I have seen the bank building on the corner of Prospect and Main fall to disarray. I believe it is owned by a developer. Would like to see the developer made to take responsibility for cleaning up the bldg and surrounding property. Would very much like to see the driveway for Anita's at corner of Main & 144 moved to behind building. My daughter has been hit there when person in front slammed on breaks to turn and she was hit from behind. I have almost been hit at same location. The driveway is too close to the corner of such a busy intersection. Thank you.
654	Thank you to the town's leadership and those who contribute to our community!
655	We moved to Mt Airy aprox. 12 years ago. We loved the small town feel, the low traffic and crime rates. We do not want our town to be built up. We have plenty of gas stations, liquor stores, grocery stores, and banks. I am happy that our lack of water supply has decreased the growth of our town.
656	Extend the rails to trails from Main Street to Rising Ridge Road.
657	Thanks to the task force for putting together an excellent survey! Can we get an Aldi grocery store in town?
658	How can we join this task force? Survey is way too long, missing lots of responsive options. I imagine many will not complete since its so long. It would be horrible to drive through Center St. It is too tight and (?) businesses. Park St is much nicer to drive down. Don't spend money that is not necessary. Upset about the building falling apart. Why did the town wait so long to fix it? The old bank is falling apart and looks horrible but nobody is saying anything about that.
659	Take into account traffic issues before deciding on the above (H-L Property) Depends on what future decisions are made (right/wrong direction) Before the town considers the Flat Iron building issue or the annexation of the Harrison-Leishear property, the town should consider traffic issues already existing and that would be impacted by these two situations. In the downtown area Main Street is already narrow and congested during certain times of the day and on weekends. By eliminating or refurbishing the Flat Iron building in favor of new businesses or more parking, closing access from Park Avenue, only creates more traffic and congestion in an already narrow and congested area. Developing the Harrison-Leishear property creates more

	traffic problems on 27 North where it narrows to one lane. The town should take care of traffic issues already existing and that would be impacted by the implementation of these two situations.
660	Crimes like breaking into cars and stealing outgoing mail are increasing. Something needs to be done. My neighbor mentioned trash pickup possibly being later in the morning. I fully support that. The truck comes much too early. Even if the trash company wants it early, we do not have to agree to it. We are their customers!
661	I am opposed to low income housing and high-density housing (ie apartment complexes and condominiums) being built in Mt Airy. I think now housing should be similar to existing housing as Village Gate and Twin Ridge and should be limited to prevent traffic congestion and overcrowding of our schools. I have heard the town is considering having a Chick-fil-A built at the site of the Pizza Hut. I am in favor of having a Chick-fil-A in town but I am opposed to the Pizza Hut location. Chick-fil-As are very popular and I am concerned the amount of traffic would overwhelm the roads and cause massive congestion. I think consideration should be given to building the Chick-fil-A north of town/up 27. Perhaps on the Harrison-Leishear property.
662	Threat - Over population without infrastructure (roads, water)
663	Mount Airy has a lot of potential get moving on the upcoming projects that have been in the talks for years. This is a great way to get citizen involvement. I hope to see a lot of responses from this survey.
664	The area around the old building (Prospect/Main St) is an eye sore. The building and adjacent parking lot would be a beautiful location for a restaurant, brewery, or other public place. However, adjacent lots or buildings should get cleaned up as well - porta potty place, parking lot across four plumber place (that building front is an eye sore also). If the downtown area could extend to those areas that would be wonderful. I understand that those properties are probably private, however, the town should be able to tell owners clean up and restore/update.
665	We do not need any more fast food chains in Mt Airy. Any other additional restaurants should have healthier options from different ethnicities.
666	Flat iron - I'm sure the board has taken into account the grading of the land around the flat iron building. Water naturally flows down Park Ave. We don't want to be another Ellicott City flood.
667	We would love to see an incubator space! (ex: we work)
668	As questions answered, my goals/ prioritization to move to Mount Airy in 1993, was to have a safe environment for my family with great schools. This has been accomplished. I would enjoy having a ChickFila or Panera restaurant in town.
669	I would like to see the town be judicial in its growth, slow things down. I love living here because of its small town rural roots. I do not want to be in Germantown or Columbia. BTW, if the pizza hut is sold - would love a Panera or chick fil a. :)
670	I would very much like to see more quality restaurants like carterque, lauraenzos,

	california tortilla. I would also like to have more competition when it comes to broad-band internet. It seems comcast has a monopoly. It would benefit this community if we could get fiber-optic options. A movie theatre would be nice.
671	Thank you for asking our input in this way. We appreciate it.
672	I think the biggest issue for the town is downtown development. We need to find a way to take existing structures (old bank building) and turn them into something usable. Not looking for major chains or retailers, but something that fits into our small town charm.
673	- Multifamily Zoning: Income opportunity for resident, retirement option for resident, slow growth affordable housing - Flat Iron Building: Demolish, rebuild with historic look. Create office space or mixed use
674	Q.3 regarding traffic: "on Rt 144 West"
675	I have heard that Chick-fil-A may be built where the current Mt Airy welcoming sign is located. I disagree with any commercial bldg being placed at that location. the corner of 27 and south Main Street (near McDonalds) is already a dangerous corner area. We do not need (or want) commercial business located in that open area.
676	Our household received two of these surveys for 2 people.
677	Q.4: Existing level and pace of residential growth is "too fast" I feel the train refurbishment was an expensive waste of money w/ no benefit. I feel Rails to Trails was also an expensive waste since I do not feel it is safe to be there by yourself.
678	Love living here! Would love a big box store like Target.
679	Coder Note: For Q3 they did not make any selections but did write in "Run down buildings that remain vacant - this is the only thing I don't like."
680	I feel the town is headed in the right direction with the long-range plan in place. But I have major concerns re the general appearance of downtown - to me it is a huge eyesore, unfortunately. Investing in brick sidewalks would be a fine start and removal of overhead wires too. I realize both of these projects would be expensive but...
681	Q3 "Atmosphere i.e. ugly downtown area" This is an excellent survey and reflects the sincere interest of town administration in keeping its citizens happy and healthy. We chose to retire here because of clean air, lovely neighborhoods, and reasonable costs. We are continually impressed with town management and its services. The town most needs a vital downtown area, with removal of ugly overhead wires, and solutions to both the triangle and the vacant bank building.
682	I want low taxes and less government. If Mt Airy grows too big, I will move. I came there because I enjoy the small town feeling. I would leave for a more rural area now if my wife and kids didn't make me stay. I hate Maryland, Maryland taxes, Maryland gun laws. This is a liberal puke state and Mt Airy is the only thing good about our area.
683	Suggestions: Install a stop light at the center of town at the Flat Iron building intersection, to control the speed going down / up Main Street, and provide safety for

	citizens crossing the street. Install or reinstall stop signs at the intersection of Rising Ridge road and Meadow Field Court. Plus Rising Ridge Road and Rising Ridge Ct / Village Gate Dr, or speed / traffic control bumps on Rising Ridge Rd to "calm" traffic such as on the Twin Ridge soccer field area along Parkridge Dr.
684	- I believe one of the biggest challenges, is that we represent so many counties. It's hard to build community and foster that atmosphere of togetherness when kids next door to each other go to different schools etc. - I believe a lot more can be done to develop a more cohesive atmosphere here and bringing the community together from all counties. - Also what the town is really missing is a downtown gathering space. Maybe near the train-welcome area or space designated in the parking area. I can see a water fountain, benches, tables to sit at - maybe some trees and flowers. A tree for Christmas lighting. - I don't know protocol but for the taxes we payed like to see more police patrolling in the actual neighborhoods. - We could really use a town newspaper. The gazette was great. The one now is pretty bad. Again, with what we pay in taxes, we should be able to support a small paper that actually has valuable news and information.
685	Seems to me the Town only helps friends of the people running the town
686	The Northernmost "Gateway" to Mount Airy at 808 & 27 is a disgrace. The cheap comment sign has not been maintained and suggested the town must be in the same condition. If I didn't live here I would not come here to explore. Too much time and money was spent on the one visit wonder train display which makes the condition of the town signage all the more deplorable. While the color is nice the :logo: on the water tower nearest Bank of America areas is completely out of scale. It is illegible unless you are at a dead stop at the traffic light The extra wording should be eliminated and the town name greatly enlarged. Don't make the same mistake if our other water tower ever get repainted. There needs to be term limits!
687	Bring Fall Festival back to Main Street - that was the small town flavor that is now missing. Other towns manage it and it brings a lot of outsiders in like the Chili Cookoff does and what do people come to see in a small town? History and character (not tearing down Flat Iron Building). They want to appreciate history. They want to meet small town people. Turn old bank bldg into a public facility with bathrooms, small meeting room, small catering (tea - coffee bakery etc) like a mini- rest stop.
688	Mount Airy has a wonderful small town feel to it. Please don't let developers ruin what we have. I don't want to be like Oakdale or Clarksburg.
689	Traffic safety and speed control are important. The locations for speed traps should emphasize pedestrian safety . Speed traps along rising ridge road in the industrial
690	Mt. Airy is on the geographical fringe of each of the 4 counties it serves. My point is any initiative will require some financial support from 1 or more counties. The county seats currently seem to get first served in financial reward - what benefit is there to the county to 1) build and expensive replacement for the Flatiron bldg - taxes? 2) Develop the Harrison-Leishar property. Ok, some county funding. Historical perspective. The historical museum is very well done! I was born and raised in the

	Woodbine area and the visit to the museum gave me a deeper insight into Mt. Airy's history. The caboose is a favorite of mine because both of my grandfathers worked for the B+O. Quaint main street - I do shop at the commons, Gue's the thrift shop and SK Gifts - each has its own unique character. My favorite restaurants are Concettas and Cryi'n Johnnys. Nos so quaint main street - too many insurance companies, the bar and gun shop. Main street better to have more quaint offerings with services and products which make visitors want to linger.
691	I would like to see more shopping options. When Home Goods closed it took away one of the only recreational shopping for lack of a better term Fun Fashion Shopping? Movie Theatre would be nice
692	Cul de sac roads need repairing.
693	We need more diverse shopping - like whole foods or trader joes, lowes, or home depot, Denny's, Ruby Tuesdays. The bank building on prospect & main needs to go or be developed - its been vacant and ugly way too long. We do not need any more banks - especially on main st downtown. This is the first time I have received a survey like this. Thank you, please do this more often.
694	I like Mount Airy! Good schools, central Maryland location and nice neighbors. I believe we must move forward, but be slow and deliberate. I do not want to be left behind as a back water like New Market or ?? or have unbridled expansion like Urbana! I believe we need to expand and diversify and are willing to use my time and money to support these endeavors!
695	Flat Iron building is one of the biggest issues downtown as stated. A decision needs to be made and quickly put in place. The same goes for center street expansion. Downtown street parking should be eliminated. The F and M bank building - what is up with it. It is an eyesore. I believe the town is in talks with Frederick County on establishing an enforceable code based on "blighted properties." the town needs to have building removed and space used for parking and/or a new retail, restaurant, etc.
696	Police Department benefits far exceed it's cost, need to review its continued existence. Tesla charging stations, really? query, do any elected town officials own a Tesla? Why does town offer this service for free? Optics on this smell bad
697	Small business is great but we have many liquor stores and hair salons. Can we et some other small businesses attracted to the area like yoga studio, spin cycle studio etc We also need more fast casual eatery place with healthy options such as Panera
698	We need an actual police presence in the parking lot near the nature trail at East - West Park. I have witnessed active drug use and debris from hard drug use near the entrance to the nature trail. My toddler and I hike in the natural part of East - West park at least once a week, and this open space is part of why we moved to the Town of Mt. Airy. The town needs to take better care of this tremendous natural resource. The playground equipment at the town park outside of Watkins Park is small and boring. We recently visited Toledo OH and were impressed by their amazing parks. The equipment replacement at East - West par was extremely disappointing. Will



	there be any progression on the rail to trail conversion of CSX tracks in to Main St? We are very excited about this. Mt Airy should be a walkable community. I moved my family here for the safe outdoor environment and the schools. What happened to Mt Airy's schools? Since the rating system changed, our Frederick County schools are disappointing. Something needs to be done.
699	- I'd love to see the town government work with the relevant authorities to establish a bus route from the Mt. Airy park & ride to Shady Grove metro station. - Completion of the entirety of the rail-to-trail. - The East-West Park nature trail is becoming highly crowded and needs repair. It would be nice to see similar nature parks established in the community. - Please do something about that blighted eyesore bank on Main & Prospect. I do understand that the town has limited authority over private property, however it's a source of embarrassment. - We enjoy all of the festivity on Main Street
700	We're headed in the right direction but...traffic control is a major concern with speeding and distracted driving a major issue. The drug trafficking and abuse should be investigated as the I-70 & Rte 27 corridor through Mt. Airy poses a significant risk to our younger generation.
701	The building on the corner of Prospect Rd and South Main St needs to be dealt with. I would to suggest that this building be repurposed and demolished. The parking lot is wasted space.
702	too many comments to type
703	- Getting in and out of Safeway is frustrating. Traffic backs up in the morning at 27 going south. Light at Penn stop backs things up and traffic from 70 has trouble getting in. One option, add a large traffic circle and connect both sides of Penn to circle removing the light should eliminate traffic issue. - Any development of cold storage should maintain historic feel and look and blend between downtown shops and single-family homes. No apartments or condos. Suggest combination of single family above and office/retail below. - Want rail trail extension to west and connect to neighborhoods on the other side. - Improve trails in park behind East-West. Drainage issues, kids riding motorcycles, signs, trail length.
704	I don't like change, but it always is inevitable. I love the small town feeling of this community. Would rather Mt Airy annex the land on the north end to control its development while keeping the small business industrial to a minimum.
705	Bring back the skate park and have more recreational spaces for the youth and families. Vary the recreational spaces and opportunities for kids and adults.
706	I think that Mt Airy should apply for a city school system. This would bring a lot of cohesiveness and pride to the city. I grew up in a town with about 1000 less people. We applied for our own school system and the towns liquor taxes went towards it. The school was the best in the county. The entire town supported it. and went to ball games and other activities at the schools. The shops all painted their windows for homecoming etc. There was so much town pride in the schools. But in Mt Airy everyone is split between the counties not to mention some of the schools are pretty far from Mt Airy. It would be nice for all of the MT Airy children to go to the same

	school. I know it would benefit the town to not be so divided, Not to mention the businesses won't be so divided in supporting so many fundraisers since there won't be so many schools and school related organizations asking for money all the time.
707	Additional recreational opportunities including restaurants, movies/theaters and the like.
708	Mt Airy is a wonderful place to live with small town great character! I've noticed that it appeals to all age groups Millennials, boomers and gen-x The slow-growth policy has seen a positive attribute esp in contrast to Montgomery County, which is over developed. This is a real town with a Mayor, Council, Manager and Muni development ie dept (also fire/rescue)- that is all great So in conclusion, I wouldn't want to see too much commercial development ie big box stores, large housing developments, etc It would alter the character of the town. I would like to see affordable office space to increase local job growth which would provide business for local retailers, restaurants. Keep up the good work!
709	While Mt Airy is a safe place to raise kids, it doesn't offer enough diversity, therefore most kids live sheltered lives. The restaurants aren't that great so we like to spend our \$ elsewhere. I'm all for progressiveness. Out with the old and in with the new!
710	Q 25 comment: "It's headed in NO direction - lots of talk, no action."
711	The bank building on corner of Prospect and Main st is an eye sore. Also, the strip complex in front of the Castle on prospect is an eye sore. Its sad to look at everyday. It needs help. Very trashy
712	The Mt Airy police dept needs to focus on Prospect Road speeders. The intersection of Main street and Park Ave is too dangerous. The Flat Iron building should be torn down and the intersection made Perpindicular. A small monument can recognize the history importance of the old bldg. The Bank at Main St and Prospect Rd is an eyesore. Something needs to be done. The light (traffic) at Main St and Ridgeville Blvd are way too long (in favor of Main). Traffic studies will show more volume on Ridgeville, therefore; current light timings are inefficient.
713	It bothers me that many MA residents don't value townhome communities and other more affordable housing types; instead they insist on SF homes on large lots. A community must provide homes to professional young families and blue-collar workers who will work in the community. I can't believe no one has died on Main St. I'm all for parking on one side only and moving the crosswalk away from Flatiron and hills. I have loved living and raising my kids in Mt Airy. 30 years as a former military brat, it is the hometown I never had growing up!
714	1. Complete Center Street connection to Rt 27. 2. Permit only handicap parking in downtown Mt Airy on Main Street. 3. Develop and/or remove old bank building - major eyesore. 4. Flat Iron building major liability to town - remove building. 5. MAPD = constant speed enforcement, ticket aggressive driving ie. tailgating, not using signals/indicators, failure to complete a full stop at stop signs

715	Q2 family oriented; sense of safety; small town; quiet community. For Q3 traffic.
716	Create logical business in town - we have too many nail salons and liquor stores in town already (create something new that we don't have) Cement towers - what is going on with these? What's its purpose? (by Bank of America) Bank on Main Street - why can't we make this a parking lot for the town as well so people don't park on the street (Main) and you can barely drive down the road?
717	Please do not spend any more taxpayer money on things like the caboose...really??? Too many aggressive drivers on Rising Ridge Rd. Many children - its only a matter of time until a serious accident occurs.
718	Put a Panera Bread where Pizza Hut is Put a brewery in the old Main St. bank Put a speed camera on Prospect Road!!!
719	Stop growth. Fix or tear down the building at corner of Main St and Prospect. It has been an eyesore for years. Improve the look of main street buildings in need of repair.
720	The Bank @ the corner of Main Street needs to be demolished. It's been an eyesore for 20yrs. Make it a parking lot.
721	I have lived here just over 20 years. the reason people love Mt Airy is the small town feel. this is a town where people aspire to live and earn to live. Please do not bring in any new apartments. This is what brings the crime. There are plenty of areas close by with apartments/affordable housing. Keep Mt. Airy a great place to live.
722	Put a restaurant in the old bank on Main St. Add a small movie theater to town.
723	Turn the bank into a bar/restaurant with live music!!
724	We love Mt Airy! The small town feel, and community makes us so special! Some expansion of course would be great(a restaurant, another retail store, Target, etc.. ) is helpful however a balance with traffic and losing our small town will always be at risk and should constantly be questioned. Lets not lose our small town in expansion
725	1. Would really like to see rails to trails completed on the other side heading towards 144 Twin Ridge area. 2. Would love to increase recycling to every week. 3. wonderful town overall to raise a family. 4. would really like to see more use of Main St. and really like the idea of more green spaces, gathering places in town along Main St. Thank you for organizing this survey and for your work for the town.
726	Town Code Enforcement needs to be sent to a property in a residential neighborhood, there they will find a small, unattractive house and a driveway area overloaded with construction equipment and debris. The yard has: 3 large white box trucks, 1 white commercial van, large piles of scrap metal from job sites, trailer, large equipment, cars, and other material. I would like to know if city code preventing this unsightly condition? Are these acceptable conditions that city officials will tolerate? Page 4 of survey question 13, "I receive good value for the taxes I pay" ABSOLUTELY NOT under these present conditions.
727	Quit building, we dont want to be Urbana. Quit building and keep it a small town,

	already too much traffic.
728	Remove the 'all' parking on main street. Add a 3 way stop sign at prospect and main. I no longer shop on main street due to the speed of traffic and cars being parked on Main St leaving little room for cars driving in both directions to pass. Then the added delivery trucks pulled in front of stores to unload deliveries makes main street more of a nightmare
729	Thank you for this opportunity. We love Mt. Airy and hope to see it continue to be a great, modern small town at least until our children are grown up.
730	* Do connection of Center St ASAP, * give conditional ownership of Flat Iron building ASAP I would like to encourage the appropriate commission and the town council, to use and start _____ study and start implementing. The town spent a lot of \$ on it, prepared by professionals and it shouldnt be wasted. I feel like the town does studies on various things and put them in a drawer. Three or four years later "lets do another study" then out them in a drawer. Follow the study ( it included a lot of public comments and start implementing. Start with Center St and take down the flat iron building.
731	not permitting smoking in shared outdoor areas, such as restaurant patios. It keeps our family with children from enjoying or going out to those places.
732	Panera Bread in pizza hut location. Larger community pool - outdoor. Speed camera - temporary in various locations (on prospect, main street, rising ridge rd).
733	I would like to see more growth and development on the Frederick side of town.
734	More entertainment options - Ten pin bowling, movie theater, bike & walking paths, etc.
735	Mt Airy is a great place to live and we enjoy the walkability and the community events. We would like to see more stores downtown rather than just restaurants. The vacant blank building needs to be used. The town needs to place reasonable requirements on this building & help it move forward. Thriving areas are busy, and don't have empty buildings in their downtowns
736	Q12. "A better dispatch system"
737	Speeding in the neighborhood largely ignored due to insufficient data collection on speeding vehicles. If one or two vehicle are clocked on the speed detection device driving or 50 mile an hour in a 25 mile an hour zone why isn't that a problem? It would be nice if the council members had to live and experience such issues first hand to realize that this is a real issue. Fairwood Lane Why do residents have to complain about building/lawn issues/grass height/junked cars/blue tarps on roofs/unfinished buildings/sidewalk issues before the town will act? Why do we not have a code enforcer who drives around in summer to note people not cutting their grass? Why are sidewalk not being maintained by town? Why are roads not being maintained well? Open up an ATV trail on Leishear property
738	I wish the chick fil a situation was included and I felt like I had a say in that. The

	location is so convenient off of 70 that the number of people stopping will be unbelievable. I love chick fil a, but I am worried about the intersection, traffic patterns, and the non-residents that it will attract. I was born here in 1983 and never plan to leave. I am happy with everything other than constant growth.
739	Center Street needs to be a priority - not wait another 3 years
740	The Summerwood sidewalks need to be repaired by the town since you own them. I see people tripping on the uneven sidewalks, & parents stopping to tilt strollers and wagons over the raised areas ( caused by tree roots) all of the time * the "train" history and caboose is only important to older people & people who are "into" trains. * question 3- other- concerns over increased crime levels. * Connection of Center St- theres is already 5 turns into town. Extra \$ should be spent elsewhere.
741	More arts & entertainment re movie theater Play house More museums ie Art
742	People speed through Oak View Drive too fast especially with the kids outside playing The merge onto Rt 27 is rough Bring in Chick-fil-A
743	#6 - "70 is a busy highway, lots of opportunities for like Fairfield Inn etc." Opportunities to expand employment opportunities.
744	The Villages of Tall Oaks needs major paving work. The quote Mt Airy gave our HOA is very high. We need our parking spaces and roads paved very badly and we need the town to reduce the amount they quoted. Also, we need the tacky no parking signs made smaller. The graffiti needs to be removed. We also need streetlights and speed bumps on main road in our development.
745	My family has lived on N Main St since 1976 I have started my own family and remain here in a separate home. I have watched a small old town charming home turn into a small Gaithersburg. its sad- I want to stay here but we are too big, too crowded. Please just stop the growth, we are ok the way we are.
746	#8: Gardening spaces safe walking place without so many steep hills as in Watkins Park (for us seniors)
747	Bldg on Main Street old bank knock down make downtown better shops
748	Bldg on Main St old bank knock down or do something with. make or main streets shops are better.
749	Bldg on Main Street old bank knock down or fix. Make Main Street better.
750	I think one of the biggest issues is traffic safety. Too many cars speed around here with no regard to safety. Need more enforcement. Too many young people congregate in private spaces like Food Lion parking lot, sitting around with nothing to do. Would like to see more bike and walking trails. Need to see a big box business like Lowes that will make it easier for people to get things rather than bring to Fredrick. Higher quality restaurants, too.
751	I move frequently, and I have to say this has been my favorite place to live in so far. I feel completely safe living here vs past locations. It's a good-sized town that's decent

	drive away to larger areas without feeling overcrowded. There's not many job opportunities for my field here (digital art) but I expected that given the size of the town. The cost of single-family homes is surprisingly expensive for the area. I assume this is due to the prime location outside of larger towns. We unfortunately might be moving out within the year since housing is out of our budget.
752	I apologize there are some questions I really couldn't answer. .. I moved to Mt. Airy after raising my children & downsizing my home. I am very happy not to be in the big city - no traffic. Feel pretty safe. I would like the downtown area to have more little retail - gift shops when guests come to visit but on a whole, I like the quiet & little traffic. I thank all of you for your hard work.
753	Thanks for all that you do. I would follow events more actively if the Mt. Airy social media pages were active themselves. I support building and developing Mt. Airy up, as long as we are making sure that the new structures do not impact our environment. What is Mt. Airy doing to become more eco-friendly? Thanks!
754	Please do something about the Mt. Airy Apartment Complex. The area is not safe for its residents. Perhaps more competition in the form of another apartment complex is needed.
755	Living on the Frederick County side of Mt Airy, would it be possible to provide Frederick County Comcast instead of Carroll County?
756	Flat Iron a. - "Don't close Park Ave."
757	I love the "small town" feeling and still be within a short drive to shopping areas in Fredrick and West[illegible]. With Walmart, 3 grocery stores, 2 drug chains, library, [illegible] Center and a number of fast food and restaurants, it's the best of both worlds. I know with time all things must move forward. I [illegible] in the city of [illegible] Heights in Prince George Maryland. Progress and all the sins it brings with it is the reason I moved to Mount Airy nineteen years ago. PLEASE- don't make me go house hunting again at eighty years old!
758	- Sidewalks on Main Street need repair - Green arrow needed at Ridgeville Blvd and South Main Street - Walmart parking lot needs repair
759	-Bury the power and phone lines in town. This will create better pedestrian space and remove potentially dangerous issues with powerlines - especially the Flat Iron building that blocked fire engines in the last two fires. - Acquire the rail right of way from downtown to the Fredrick side to the is a safe walking path from the Fredrick side of town without the telephone poles and busy street traffic. - Moving town festivals to the carnival grounds was bad for downtown as a lot of visitors don't come into town anymore. I'm glad more are occurring in downtown again. I enjoy the atmosphere of the town and do visit local businesses at that time. I've gone into some I wouldn't have normally and have been back. - Stop with the breweries and distilleries downtown. And why so many liquor stores? It almost seems there are more liquor related businesses than any other business in town. It's nice to have some, but so many? There are 3 at the intersection Main Street and 144.

760	Be better at land development than New Market is. (so far so good). Also be better at handling children with disabilities at Twin Ridge. For Q 12 "more training - don't shoot civilians or anyone."
761	You all have a tough job! Trying to balance growth & opportunities for residential/commercial development without going too "urban/overdeveloped; or trying to (less small town feel) freeze time/keep the status quo, where those opportunities go elsewhere to move growth friendly areas. People will have varied opinions to one end or the other on that spectrum, to go too far either way is a threat & staying on a balanced course is beat for all of us! Greg Downs
762	I would love to see more businesses/town sponsored recreation targeted at teens and young adults. Examples: movie theater, putt putt golf, skate park, maker's space. I think the town generally has a good range of retail and restaurants. Just need to focus on filling empty buildings. More affordable housing, such as apartments are necessary to keep the next generation here in Mount Airy. I think some people are afraid it will invite "riff-raff," but with good recreational opportunities and successful business, I do not think that will be an issue. We do not need more ball fields. Use the land for something more productive/unique.
763	Referring to question 12 - I would rank Drug Prevention Services as my number two most important. With the opening of center street - I would like to see the Mount Airy Police have their own Police station built so they have a private area and are not taking up useful professional office space from potential businesses. With regard to the Harrison-Leishear property - the 120 acres of industrial business park space. We should utilize this space with creating a diverse array of employment opportunities. We should be inviting businesses that are government contractors, technical and healthcare, and other high paying jobs. Most jobs currently located within Mt. Airy are low paying with little opportunity for growth. Mt Airy is currently missing a cohesive component. A Mt Airy community center located on the 40 acres of the Harrison-Leishear property would provide ample space close to town and next to the planned 80 acre park land with multiple recreation opportunities for all ages. For a good example, please look at the North Laurel Community Center in Howard County.
764	No more gas stations. No more beer/wine/liquor stores. No more Italian restaurants (pizza/pasta). We need more diverse, eclectic type restaurants. No more of those hand delivered newspaper in the plastic sleeves. It's a waste and no one in my neighborhood wants nor reads them.
765	As I have only lived here for a year as a renter, I am unable to answer most questions. I do think more age restricted housing is needed. Thank you I love it here. Answer to #5 - I do not dislike anything about Mt Airy
766	Old bank on the corner of Prospect and Main St needs to be utilized. Turn it into a bar, coffee shop, restaurant, or other venue. Police need to focus on security of Walmart. Main St needs better drainage. Need more businesses and social life at downtown areas. Thankful for the town events to keep people coming downtown. Need to take down old furniture brick building next to Bank of America and finish whatever they

	were building in between. Anitas is an eyesore.
767	Affordable housing would be having a negative impact on the community. It is already affordable, that is why people are moving in from neighboring Montgomery County. We need to improve what we have already. Some healthier food options would be amazing. Chop't, Cava, Moby Dick, Whole Foods or Roots. And finally, an upscale restaurant in the old bank building would be so cool. LOVE LOVE LOVE MT AIRY!
768	Special thanks to Mayor Pat and the town council! Unlike our current national political leaders, you have found a way to work together for the common good. Great job and keep up the good work!
769	We moved to Mt. Airy because of the small town atmosphere. As it turns out, we love it and it is a small town. We elected the mayor because he said he would not develop the town. After living for years in lower Montgomery County, this is what we want in a town. Montgomery County changed so much that it was not livable anymore. We do not wish to have this town turn into that in any way. Children can play outside here. They can walk to the shops. I do not see crime. This is currently the way an American town should be. Progress for the sake of progress should be avoided.
770	I would like to see more traffic enforcement in the neighborhoods. I live in the Westridge Rd. neighborhood & regularly watch folks treat it as a major thoroughfare exceeding the speed limit as well as run through stop signs as if they don't exist. A lot of children live in my neighborhood and ride their bikes, scooter, etc. It's very dangerous!
771	Thanks for all you do
772	I would like to see more sports played in town. I would also like to have a (can't read-something about for kids to play and ride) Most walking paths are not being used and people live in woods If open to 4 wheeler people would ? this land and take care of it more
773	No parking on Main St. very congested w/ delivery trucks during the day especially coming out of Prospect. Clean up that parking area by the Plumbury. Do something with the old bank building. Make Main St. more inviting. Take notes from other small town Main St. especially Geneva, Illinois.
774	While Mt Airy is a great place to live I do worry about additional developments both local and in the county. I worry about the traffic increase and increase use of fire, police and traffic without our receiving equal financial compensation from the county. While Center Street sounds good plan has it looking like Wormans Mill in Frederick Co. Again more traffic. what will the impact be on historic Main Street? Will it add to the feel or will everyone disappear to the and ? stores - ? willing our historic downtown. While the Flat Iron is a part of history I feel the building is in such decline that it should be taken down to correct traffic flow on Main Street and a garden with some type of ? put up. That would be a better use of the towns money. We need to be good stewards of our money with all of the increased building and traffic, possible increase in crime, etc. We may need the money to protect our area and citizens rather than fixing an old building. All in all Mt Airy is a great place - but that is only because of our



	residents/volunteers who make this a great place to live.
775	East West Park is an need of attention! I often walk the east west nature trail that goes beyond the park and the nature trail needs to be fixed up. There is ground that covers part of the trail and keeps the mud to a minimum, however since the tornado storm on Halloween night, a large portion of the trail has been over fallen of ??(can't read it )Please send people to fix the trail and make it easily walkable to everybody who wishes to do so. Thank you!
776	The only thing I dislike about living in Mt. Airy is the lack of shopping. More large retail would be nice. Also more health care professionals/services. I like what was done with peacock center. Try to attract more health care specialists (doctors). I would like town to do something: about vacant bank building on corner of Prospect & Main St. That is an eyesore - I've lived here 11 years and it's been like that probably before that.
777	A safe bike/pedestrian path (pavement optional) from west of town (Rising Ridge to Westridge) to Main St is the #1 recreational improvement that could be made. This would create potential for much more foot and bike traffic into downtown.
778	Mt. Airy rocks!!
779	Bike paths! Make the town more bike friendly! Concern about blight and run down buildings: - the old bank on Main/Prospect - Fleming Furniture building by Bank of America - the construction by Bank of America - the old cold storage lot - the apartments/mixed building across from Prospect Park These ruin the charm of the town and make it seem run down.
780	1. Please keep out Bus Lives/public transportation 2x: light rail. 2. Small town feeling - enjoyable Mayberry 3. Keep history/charm thriving in small town atmosphere 4. More ranch style homes available 5. Sense of security - safe neighborhoods - possible neighborhood watches 6. Hotel - (out of town visitors) 7. Bed and Breakfast - more employment opportunities 8. Movie theater - small/quaint - affordable 9. Upscale restaurant - banquet room/parties 10. Educate seniors/residents on identity solicitors (also include in Mt Airy messenger and website) Please occupy the vacant Farmer's Bank on Main Street with a business?
781	We absolutely love Mt. Airy and the small-town feel. I would not want to bring too many more merchants in. I would be opposed to a WAWA or such in the future.
782	Growth is coming and it needs to be thought out in advance. With the growth, roads will need to address. The town should keep in mind what real assets it has in case of any lawsuits.
783	Deliveries on Main ST and Parking. These 2 things impact traffic. Street parking needs to be limited and municipal parking should be used. Having truck park on Main St while making deliveries is an issue, need to find a way that deliveries are made in the back of the business
784	-mt airy is a great town. the state is overtaxes though chasing out retirees. -history of

	town is amazing. enjoy heritage - strongly support rails to trails. a must for the town - support a joint solution to flat iron. a public-private partnership. perhaps a 2 story replica not needing elevator. commercial/govt. - town staff is great to work with and responsive - like Main St festivals! - no apartments or cold storage, please! If approving apartments, would prefer larger, wandering 2 story structures w club house & pool as opposed to 110 apartments on smaller lot in downtown zone.
785	I would like to see the police drive thru the communities. At this time I only see them when they are called and that is not very often. Thats a good thing Speeding vehicles is a real issue! Does our police have laser units to check speeders? This is the only way speeding can be controlled. The speed monitoring devices mounted on poles do very little. Speed enforcement is needed throughout the town! I am a 30+ year veteran of a local police dept. We are heading in the right direction. But need a lot of help.
786	I believe the town is trying to move in the right direction. However, I constantly am reading good ideas in the messenger but rarely see action. And why is Bank Bldg not mentioned in survey. Surely that property could be better utilized, not sitting empty & deteriorating.
787	Mayor Pat is the best.
788	Traffic control during accidents - police department needs more staff Snow player pushed snow back onto sidewalk
789	Having lived here such a short time I don't feel I can answer some of the survey adequately. Would like to see a dollar store, an Alia, GoodWill and more for the elderly.. Like to see Mt Airy remain more family orientated.
790	I really haven't noticed Mount Airy moving in any direction in the time that I've lived here. There's been a lot of arguing at town hall meetings and not a whole lot of commitment to anything. The whole town is stuck in a small minded, conservative white Christian bent which hopefully will change as the older populace dies off and more younger diverse professional people move in. Unfortunately, people who are LGBTQ of a race other than white, a religion other than Christian, or posses a more worldly mindset just don't feel welcome here. I moved here due to a marriage and only stay because of my spouse's job. As soon as she retires I plan to leave as quickly as I can.
791	I believe we keep the Flat Iron building as it is historical place of Mt Airy. I think it can be sold and made into luxury apartments or some other creative attraction by a third party. But we should not destroy our Mt Airy history.
792	Survey way too long for a 94 year old
793	Entry and exit points for retail businesses to major roads are horrible. Health Unlimited has a single entrance out and shared with the storage place. The walkway from municipal parking to Main Street business is unsafe and scary. Needs to be redone, well lit, and possibly covered. We need more restaurants. Look at Eldersburg and they have many places to eat. We basically have Green Turtle, which is great, but

	really.
794	I would like to see one or two department stores built to accommodate the needs here in mount airy. Going into Frederick or Westminster is such a distance for some. But why should we be paying and not getting any benefits on taxes in our town. I know that kohls was at one time interested but turned down by our reps. We do need a place with better class of clothes etc. Walmart is good but a better choice would be nice. Thank you.
795	Center street should be priority 1. Not sure of from Cross St as a Main. Vest pocket/ Wildwood Park seem to operate with a lot of volunteer work. Would suggest better community maintenance at Wildwood Park.
796	I'm new to the area and love the small town, rural feeling with the lovely architectures in the older part of town. To me the basic problem is traffic on Rt 27. If you take Center St out to Rt 27, it's one more stop light. As it stands now - I see huge tractor trailers going through just turned red lights.
797	Attention needed for handicapped parking & accessibility. Police need to continually keep checking handicap parking, making sure it is being used by handicap people only!
798	Police could use more assistance during accidents, could fire people be trained to assist as they are or seen or additional help by state police when on Main Hwy. (RT 27)
799	Main Street Bank Building is an eyesore. Prospect-Give Building & Johns are considered SLUM!
800	I enjoy living here.
801	Have lived nearby for more than 50 years, in town less than 2.
802	To improve community safety, a street lamp is needed at an address on Merridale Blvd. Its been requested for the past several years at least. However, we are still waiting. It would be greatly appreciated.
803	I think Lenton St extended to Rt 27 is a great idea. It would be such a quick and direct way in or out of Mt Airy. Also I am sure land on both sides of Lenton St but would better use for Mt Airy's business and commercial uses. Please forgive my hand writing and spelling, my heart is in the right place. If it is manageable please call me I'll be glad to answer any questions
804	During warm weather we need police to drive through and check if young people are ok to in be in area. I have had gas stolen out of my truck, damage to my truck
805	Center Street does not need to go there because when and if it happens Mount Airy will lose its small town charm (and it will) Let us keep the small town that Mount Airy was intended to be
806	No more development We have a water shortage
807	Wish Comcast was not our only choice of cable services.

808	I would like to see Mt Airy become more involved with attracting art galleries or at least more pursuit of the fine arts.
809	<p>We are retired and moved here 3 years ago. We love the small town feel here and friendliness of the people of Mt Airy. Our daughter and son in law have raised their family here. As gandparents we enjoyed their MAYAA games and were always welcomed and made to feel part of the "Mt Airy Family." If more sports fields/facilities are needed, I think we as a town should support that. RE development: I think we should be cautious about residential development because of the water situation. I think individual homes are preferable and maybe small townhouse developments. If we start permitting apartment complexes, we will be looking at significantly more traffic an a drain on resources. The beauty of living in Mt Airy is that you have the small town feel, but ar close enough to Frederick, Ellicott City or Westminster and their larger shopping facilities. I don't think anyone wants Rt 27 to become like Rt 140 in Westminster or Rt 40 in Ellicott City. RE the Harrison-Leishear property: We think that the town should acquire the property so that we have control over its development. More importantly, the certified well would be a welcome additional water source for the community. RE the Flat Iron building and Main St Development: folks tell us that this problem has been talked about for years. As a relative newcomer, here is our perspective. We love the Farmer's Market and get there early enough to park in the caboose lot. Motorists have been very kind stopping to let us cross Main St. However crossing Mn St is dangerous. Other than for the market, we avoid going on Main St because of the hazardous sidewalks and difficulty in walking to and from the municipal lot. For Main St businesses to thrive, these issues must be corrected. We think that the Flat Iron building should be razed and ideally replaced with a larger structure as recommended by the consultant provided this could be accomplished by selling to a private enterprise, while ensuring that the ultimate development would follow the consultant's recommendations. That side of Main St would have a look and feel of the area around Laurenzo's and would provide a nice sitting area for Main St festivals. If on the other hand the town would have to keep ownership of the property and assume financial responsibility for the entire project, we would prefer option #3, raze and replace with a multi-use small plaza.</p>
810	<p>Safety improvements at Twin Arch Rd &amp; Rt 27 intersection. Improve county transportation for seniors - more convenient locations. Sunday concerts and Wildwood Park Schedule 6pm-8pm as it was for years. Last year's schedule and entertainment was awful. Main Street merchants need better / more parking. Consideration for weekend business must be considered when town events are held which limit access to business. Main Street needs more small business shops - not insurance, real estate, offices, etc. THANK YOU! Appreciated!</p>
811	<p>Stop news carriers from tossing newspapers that are not wanted or prescribed to!!!! The Wildwood section needs to enforce parking only on one side of the streets as they are very narrow.</p>
812	<p>I love Mt. Airy and thankful that we moved here from Clarksville in Howard County. There is much traffic congestion and building monster houses and growing expenses with Columbia getting ever closer it got too big too fast! There is only one large</p>

	grocery store (Giant) to serve a large community and few nice restaurants. I love having three large grocery stores to choose from - our excellent health facilities - our bowling alley - lots of big and small restaurants, Walmart and a drug store, our great parks and many other perfect places of business. I know change always has to happen but i think Mt. Airy is perfect just the way it is now!!! I love our beautiful parade and fireworks each year. Before we moved here i had not seen fireworks in years! And some carnivals for families to enjoy. I can't think of anything that we don't already have - so please maintain all that we now have as we can continue to live in harmony with God, country and each other! I have much confidence in our elected officials and volunteers. I will soon be 86 years old and my husband soon to be 92 - so our futures are in your gentle hands. God Bless!!
813	I would like to see a handicap parking across from the Mt Airy Liquor and Mattress Firm. Coder Notes: They made marks for elements of Q 2 but not filled in correctly so not entered there. But to capture sentiments here they are: atmosphere, small town, community pride, traffic.
814	High speeds and red light running on Rt 27 thru town Re Flat Iron bldg - I like the consultant proposal but am concerned about the town taking on the financial obligation. Therefore, I selected option 3, the multi-use plaza.
815	The private maintenance of sidewalks throughout Mt Airy, such as within Wildwood Park, could present safety issues if not maintained well and with some consistency. All sidewalks should be the responsibility of the town so the levels, appearance and standards of the sidewalks do not become haphazard and unsafe.
816	I feel strongly that the speed limit on Rt 27 should be lowered to 35mph from Watersville Rd to below the Rt 70 overpass. If possible, they need speed cameras.
817	Too long of comment to type
818	I am a relative newcomer to Mount Airy, I'm 90 years old. I'm satisfied with Mt Airy and do not feel qualified to speak to schools, education, buildings, etc.
819	Rather see a Panera than a Chick-fil-A. Ridgeside drive is becoming a "food court" that needs some traffic control.
820	Q11 I have never seen a police car in my neighborhood. I live in an HOA. Does this reduce our amount of protection?
821	Ques. #6 . Restaurants - I DO NOT mean Fast Food Places. Would like more Family type restaurants.
822	Would love to see our town officials take pride in Mt Airy, we need to have a cleanup committee, maybe ask for volunteers. Areas that need attention: the old bank building Main St and Prospect absolutely no excuse for what is happening to this grand old building, to let it just deteriorate and fall apart is just deplorable what a huge eye sore, very sad. Fenced in drainage pond on 44 always over grown and weedy. What an eye sore. Never any attention is given to this area. Someone is not doing their job. Sorry so messy. Town officials should put extreme pressure on Mr.

	Michael Breman the builder of Wildwood Park, to remove the mountain of dirt and clean up the area running parallel to Barker Blvd. So hard to believe he was allowed to leave such a huge mess. Please help us get this cleaned up. You certainly wouldn't like this in your back yard. Lovely historical town should look (much) better. We need a serious uplift. Lacking faith that anything will be done with this survey a lot of work went into this project, would love to see some results.
823	We moved to Mount Airy August 2017. So far we love living here. Everyone is very friendly and kind. The only thing I could love is a large Walmart!
824	Would love to see another water storage tank for future water storage.
825	Realizing the scattered nature of commercial and residential patterns of the town any future development should give serious consideration of the BEST FIT. That's no commercial activity in residential zones. NO apartments with single-family dwellings, NO high traffic through residential areas. Also, place public functions/facilities in zones that benefit residents needs number and life-style of resident and efficiency of overall use. Again, recognizing the scattered pattern of the commercial sector it is - cant read the rest.
826	#7 - Apartments for seniors #15 - water tastes awful! H-L Property a) for the well. rent open/and for the crops until parks & industry become affordable. Have some concerns about expenditures vs. income in general. I suggest public meetings vary as to the day of the week.
827	I think the Mayor and Town Council are doing a very good job to improve the town. I would like to see some type of facilities in town where visiting family members could use for their stay.
828	Wish we had a bakery in town. Wish we had a Wendy's in town. Overall I love being in Mt Airy - especially appreciate the medical center where old grocery store was located - hate going to Frederick for medical issues. Thank you.
829	I love living here.
830	I'm asking for advice & consideration. 1) Need changes w/ light situation when leaving 27 & then exiting the Safeway shopping center - dangerous area. 2) Senior Center needs to expand - not enough rooms for classes. 3) Slow traffic speed in Wildwood Park Especially on Main road going into development - Promenade La, Parade Ave. 4) Remind animal walkers to clean up after themselves. 5) Mail truck - slowdown in development,
831	Commendations to you for using this outstanding tool to resource your work. Commendations also to Mayor Rockinberg (they just don't come any better) and to community associations that keep lines of communication open. Survey is not incomplete. I have only been here for a year and a half. Had friends and relatives here, so somewhat familiar with the area and love it. As soon as I meet so many friendly people, they immediately ask what i think of Mt. Airy and how lucky we are to live here. Only complaint i have heard is traffic. If you don't mind, I have a suggestion. i firmly believe a post-implementation presentation to the public that emphasizes the

	masterful planning by engineers who overcome monumental obstacles to coordinate traffic control lights on and off Rt. 27. Amazing to watch the traffic patterns as you might have wait for a light change and then not have to stop for 3 or more. Don't know who would do it maybe streets and roads commission. Residents need to know how to appreciate the work that has come before & know it is in good hands. Thank you & look forward to future communications. Maybe not so wordy. Ha!
832	- We need a movie house, limited in size - 2a Chick-Fil-A - 3a Bagel shop - I love our community as it is .. but time marches on ... bring on the future. - Love our Mayor and Town Council
833	There is no public transportation (ex. bus or trains) to Damascus - if my car breaks down. I have no help available to leave town.
834	It is difficult to the new people moving into our area - outnumber the 'old' Mt Airy citizen - especially those who move to Montgomery Co. for the work provided. They - and others view problems differently and many view the 'problems' and solutions different.

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